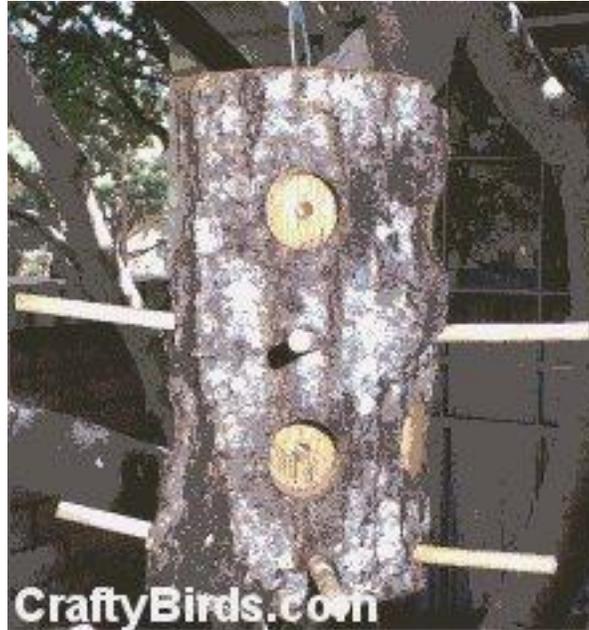


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Log Feeder for Peanut Butter Suet



You will need:

A log or thick branch from 10" to 14" in length
Dowel rod (I used 1/4" inch for this log feeder)
Wood glue
Wire or jute to use as a hanger
Eye bolt

Cut the log so it is between 10" and 14" in length. If you want 2 holes, 10" should be long enough but if you want 3 holes, use a 14" piece. The feeder pictured has 2 holes on each side for a total of 8 holes.

Now drill some holes in the log. You want 2 or 3 holes on each side that are 1" in diameter and 3/4" deep. Drill holes on all four sides.

The dowel rod will be the bird feeder perches. Drill a small hole under the 1" holes you just drilled for the perch. Use the wood glue and insert the dowel rod into the smaller hole.

On the top part of the log, screw in an eye bolt for hanging. Cut a 10" piece of wire or jute and loop it through the eye bolt, then tie or twist it so you have a hanger.

Fill the large holes with peanut butter suet.

Screw a medium or large size eye bolt into the top end of the log. Using about a 10" piece of wire or jute, make a looped hanger through the eye bolt for hanging.

Stuff the holes with the peanut butter suet from the recipe below.

Peanut Butter Suet Recipe

Peanut butter - 1/2 cup
Lard (I use Crisco) - 1/2 cup
Corn meal - 6 cups

In a pan, cook the lard and peanut butter together just until they melt. Remove from stove and add the corn meal to the mixture.

The correct consistency would be sticky but not too dry or too wet. Sticky enough so you can get it into the holes in the bird feeder without a problem. If the mixture is too wet, add more corn meal. Careful, though, because if it is too dry, it will be hard to get into the holes.

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