

**Suet Mix #2**  
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- ~ 2-3 large pine cones
- ~ 1/4 cup peanut butter
- ~ 1/4 cup lard or suet cut into small cubes
- ~ 1/4 cup birdseed
- ~ 1/4 cup cracked corn
- ~ 1/4 cup + 2 Tablespoons cornmeal
- ~ Lightweight wire
- ~ Wire cutters
- ~ Spatula
- ~ Pan lined with wax paper

Combine peanut butter and lard in a small non-stick saucepan and melt on medium heat, stirring often until blended and well melted. Add seed, cracked corn, cornmeal and mix well. Cool until it has thickened slightly, but still pourable.

Wrap one end of the wire around the base of the pine cone to make a hanger. Over the pan lined with waxed paper, pour the mixture onto the pine cone, turning slowly to cover it evenly. Leave a good portion of the top uncovered so birds have a clean surface to cling while they eat. Prop up the pine cones in the pan and put them in the freezer to harden.

Once the pine cones are frozen solid, wrap them in a plastic bag until needed. Hang them from tree branches or pine wreaths for an extra treat for the birds.