

BUTTERFLY FEEDER



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ATTRACT POLLINATORS TO YOUR BACKYARD!

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- 1 plastic container (e.g. the bottom of a plastic bottle)
- Fake flowers or coloured plastic bag
- Glue gun
- 2 cotton balls (approx)
- 1 pin or needle
- String

MATERIALS

30 MINS

Step 1

Warm up your glue gun.

*With adult assistance, glue the flowers or plastic bag pieces (in petal shapes) in a circle on the bottom/bottom edges of your container. Leave space in the middle of the flower where pollen on a real flower would be.

PROCEDURE

Step 2

*Have an adult assist you to prick a hole with a pin or needle in the centre of your flowers.

Step 3

Rip up your cotton balls into pieces, and glue them around the pricked holes, making sure to cover the hole with cotton ball (and not glue)!

Step 4

Use the hole punch to create attachment points for the string, which can be hung from a tree or bush.

Step 5

For the butterfly food, simply mix 1tsp of sugar or honey with 1/4 cup of water.

WHY DO YOU THINK POLLINATOR SPECIES ARE IMPORTANT?

PURPOSE & SCIENCE OUTCOMES

- Pollinators play an important role in creating and maintaining the habitats & ecosystems that many animals rely on for food and shelter.
- Butterflies, birds, beetles, bats, wasps and even flies are important in the pollination process.
- They are responsible for the reproduction in 90% of the world's flowering plants!

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