



BIRD NEST WHISK

A very simple activity, perfect during nesting season. The idea is to provide the garden birds with nesting materials using an old whisk. Children will enjoy collecting bits and pieces from around the garden and they'll be pleased to know their creation will help the garden birds to make nests.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

1. Twigs, leaves, moss, pet hair, hay or similar collected from the garden or on a walk
2. An old balloon whisk
3. Pair of scissors
4. Garden string

If you don't have an old whisk, anything that can hold the materials will work. Perhaps a suet ball or block holder or plastic box or bottle with holes cut out.



STEP 1

The exciting part of this activity, particularly for younger children will be collecting bits and pieces that the birds might like to use for nesting material. This can be done in the garden or during a walk.



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STEP 2

Take the whisk and stuff it full of the collected materials, the fuller the better! We pushed through a long twig at the base of the balloon to act as a perch

STEP 3

Cut a piece of string about 50cm long.



STEP 4

Thread the string through the end of the handle on the whisk and tie a knot.

STEP 5

Your bird nest whisk is ready! Hang it in a tree or from a feeding station and wait to see if the birds make use of it.

