A Bird's Delight

1 1/4 pounds suet

1/2 cup sunflower seeds

1/2 cup crushed peanuts

1/2 cup cracked corn kernels

Melt suet in the oven or saucepan (yields about 2 cups liquid fat). Stir in peanuts, sunflower seeds and corn. Spoon into a 4-cup heart-shaped mold (or two 2-cup molds); insert a drinking straw at the top (for rope). Cool in the refrigerator until solid.

Unmold; remove straw. Thread with string and tie to a shaded tree branch.

**Bagel Bird Feeder**

**1 day-old bagel**

**Lard**

**Birdseed**

**Jute or string (for hanging**

**Spread entire bagel with lard. Place birdseed on a paper plate. Roll the bagel in the birdseed. Tie jute or string through the hole of the bagel to hang the bagel. The birds can eat the whole thing!**

**Bird Bread**

**Source: Bird Watcher's Digest.**

**2 cups melted peanut butter, bacon**

**grease, meat grease or other fat**

**2 cups cornmeal or stale dry cereal blended into crumbs**

**Warm water**

**2 to 3 cups wild birdseed**

**Raisins, nutmeats or chopped peanuts**

**Slowly melt peanut butter, grease or fat over low heat. Add cornmeal or stale cereal crumbs. Slowly add enough warm water to make a stiff dough, then add birdseed and raisins, nut meats or chopped peanuts. Pack mixture into small foil pans or a large flat pan and refrigerate overnight. Cut into pieces for tying onto tree branches.**

**Canary Paste**

**1/4 cup almonds**

**2 tablespoons sweet butter, softened**

**1/4 cup cornmeal**

**2 tablespoons honey**

**Place the almonds in a blender or food processor and process until they are finely ground. Add the cornmeal and process 1 minute more.**

**Cream the butter and honey in a small bowl until thoroughly combined. Add the dry ingredients and work into a stiff paste. Pack the paste into a feeding tray or granulate the paste by pressing it through a sieve and mounding the paste on the feeding tray.**

**Bird Crackers**

**Peanut butter**

**12 saltine crackers**

**Bird seed**

**Spread peanut butter on both sides of the crackers and dip in the bird seed, completely covering the cracker. Let sit for about 15 minutes. The cracker will soften a little.**

**Punch a hole in the top and attach a ribbon for hanging.**

**No Melt Suet for Birds**

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**1 cup crunchy peanut butter**

**1 cup lard**

**2 cups quick cook oats**

**2 cups cornmeal**

**1 cup flour**

**1/3 cup granulated sugar**

**Optional**

**1 cup shelled sunflower seeds**

**1/2 cup raisins**

**1 cup peanuts**

**Melt peanut butter and lard (stove or microwave). Add all remaining ingredients and stir to peanut butter consistency (thickens fast). Press into Dixie cups (or any kind of mold). Cool.**

**Remove from mold and set in feeder for birds. This recipe will make about 3-4 squares. Keep extra in the refrigerator.**