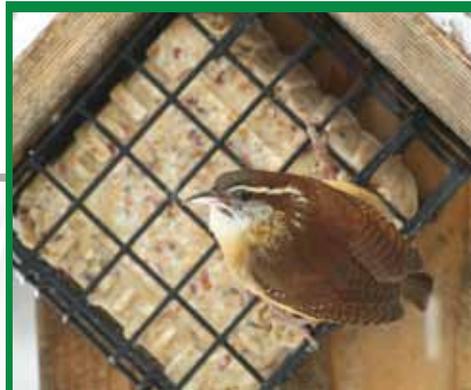


## Homemade Suet Cakes for Birds

Bluebirds, cardinals, chickadees, jays, juncos and woodpeckers. What do all of these birds have in common? They're all attracted to a tempting suet treat. A treat that you can make easily in your home. Learn how to create your own suet cakes and see all kinds of wild birds flocking to your home.

- Step 1:** Begin by mixing one cup of solid shortening or lard and one cup of creamy peanut butter into a medium size saucepan. Stir occasionally over low heat until the contents are melted. Allow the contents to cool slightly to let the suet mixture thicken.
- Step 2:** Once the contents are blended together, mix in 1½ cups of cornmeal and 1½ cups of birdseed. Over low heat, continue to stir the mixture thoroughly.
- Step 3:** Now it's time to add the special ingredients that will make your suet cakes unique. Select from any of these bird-attracting ingredients: raisins, chopped peanuts, breadcrumbs, dried berries, diced apples, quick oats and more.
- Step 4:** Line the inside of a plastic container with aluminum foil. Pour your completed suet mixture into the container and place it in the refrigerator to cool.
- Step 5:** The suet mixture will harden as it cools. Once it is solid, take it out of the container and remove the aluminum foil.
- Step 6:** Place the suet cake in a feeder and in an open area outside your home. Now all you have to do is wait for the birds to come!

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### What you'll need:

- Shortening or lard
- Peanut Butter
- Cornmeal
- Birdseed
- Miscellaneous ingredients:  
raisins, breadcrumbs,  
dried fruits, quick oats, etc.
- Aluminum foil
- Suet feeder