



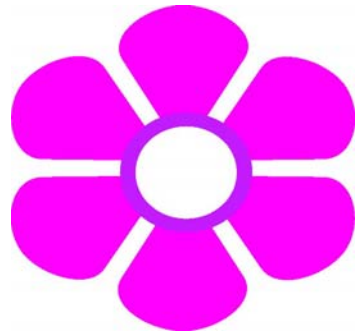
# Homemade Hummingbird Feeder

## Using a small milk carton:

Puncture a hole in the upper section of the cleaned carton large enough to fit a matchstick.

Decorate your feeder. Hummingbirds are attracted to the color red, so consider one of these ideas...

- From red craft foam, cut a flower using the template at right
- Attach a red silk flower purchased from a craft store
- Tie a red ribbon to hang down from the feeder
- Paint flowers on the sides
- Use a red pipe cleaner to hang the feeder



## Using a small bottle:

You can also make a feeder using any tiny bottle with a small mouth as a hummingbird feeder. Suggestions: vanilla bottle, medicine bottle, spice bottle with large shake holes inside the lid.

Tie a bright red ribbon around the mouth of the bottle, or cut a flower shape from red or bright pink craft foam and put over the mouth of the bottle. Hang your feeder with a red pipe cleaner.

Hang your feeder in a shrub or by your window. Clean your feeders every few days and replace with fresh nectar.

## Hummingbird Nectar

Fill the feeders with homemade hummingbird nectar: 1 part sugar to 4 parts water, boiled and cooled. Do NOT add red coloring or other ingredients. You can store nectar in the refrigerator for a couple weeks.



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