

Half-Batch Birdseed Wreath Recipe

Ingredients:

1 packet of gelatin
1/2 c. warm water
3 tbsp. light corn syrup
3/4 cups of flour
4 c. birdseed
Fresh or frozen cranberries (optional)
Red Pepper Flakes (Sparingly)
Cooking spray

Supplies:

Large bowl
Measuring spoons
Dry measuring cups
Liquid measuring cup
Wooden spoon
9" bundt pan
Ribbon
Scissors

Directions:

1. Mix 1 packet of unflavored gelatin with 1/2 cup of warm water.
2. Add 3 tbsp of light corn syrup and 3/4 cups of flour. Mix until smooth.
3. Slowly add 4 cups of birdseed, stirring as you go.
4. Lightly coat the inside of the bundt pan with cooking spray.
5. Add a few fresh or frozen cranberries and red pepper flakes (optional) to the pan.
6. Spoon the birdseed mixture into the bundt pan, pressing down firmly.
7. Let the wreath dry for 24 hours.
8. Carefully remove the wreath from the bundt pan and loop ribbon through to hang it up.

*Note: This recipe can also be doubled to make a heavier birdseed wreath. Red pepper flakes can deter squirrels, while birds—though they can taste the pepper—feel no discomfort because they lack receptors sensitive to capsaicin, the compound that makes peppers hot.