

# KODIAK 4-H AT HOME: WINTER SERIES



WELCOME! WE HOPE YOU HAVE FUN WITH THESE PROJECTS!  
THIS MONTH: FUN EXPLORING AND FEEDING BIRDS!!

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## Bird Word Search



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HOUSE SPARROW

ROCK DOVE

STARLING

MUTE SWAN

WOODPECKER

CROW

BLUE JAY

CHICKADEE

SONG SPARROW

GOLDFINCH

HOUSE FINCH

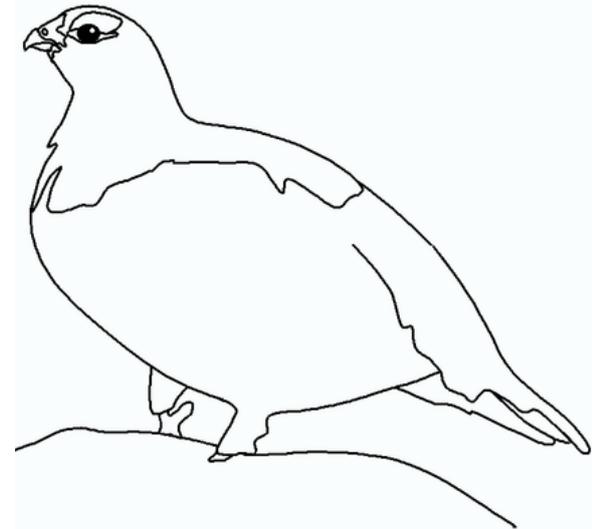
WREN

MOCKINGBIRD

TREE SPARROW

BLACKBIRD

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## Willow Ptarmigan

- The Willow Ptarmigan is pure white during the winter to blend in with the polar snow and ice. During summer, the body feathers are brown though the wings remain white.
- The female lays 6 to 10 yellow eggs with dark brown to red spots.
- The Willow Ptarmigan was adopted as Alaska's state bird in 1955.

## IN THIS KIT

We've included:

- Bird Seed
- Peanut butter
- Pine Cone
- Egg Carton
- Paper Bowl
- Dowel Rod
- Twine

You'll need:

- Scissors, Optional: Water bottle

## HERE'S HOW IT WORKS!

YOUR JOB:

- Read through all of the directions FIRST!
- Set aside some time to do the project(30-45 minutes depending on number of bird feeders you make).
- Complete the project, snap a photo!
- Have your parent email the photo in for credit!!! [kodiak4h@gmail.com](mailto:kodiak4h@gmail.com)

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# FEBRUARY KIT: FEEDING AND FINDING KODIAK BIRDS



**Supplies Provided:** Bird seed, peanut butter, pine cone, egg carton, paper bowl, dowel rod, twine, plastic spoon, push pin

**Supplies Needed from Home:** scissors

**Optional:** plastic water bottle with cap

Get all of your supplies out first and read through directions. Choose which of the three feeders you'd like to make, and get started! Note: there are helpful demo videos online for each option. Website link on front of page.

## OPTION 1 : PINE CONE FEEDER – EASIEST

- Put bird seed in the paper bowl - if you didn't get a bowl, it's okay....any bowl will work!
- Loop some twine through the loop on pine cone. If there is no loop, tie twine onto a part of the pine cone that will be secure for hanging from.
- Carefully cover your pine cone with peanut butter, using spoon if you'd like to minimize dirty fingers!
- Set pinecone in bowl and roll in bird seed until covered.
- Carefully lift pine cone out of bowl.
- Take outside and hang somewhere where you can watch the birds!

## OPTION 2 – EGG CARTON FEEDER – HARDER

- Take egg carton out and carefully poke holes in the four corners using toothpick.
- Tie one end of a piece of twine to one corner and then attach the other end to the corner diagonal from it.
- Do the same thing with opposite corners with a new piece of twine.
- When you lift up in the middle it should hang flat.
- Fill egg carton holes with seed and hang outside where you can watch the birds!

## OPTION 3 – UPCYCLED WATER BOTTLE FEEDER – HARDEST

- Wash your plastic bottle and remove label. Dry!
- Make the perch: Towards the bottom of the bottle, use a push pin to make two holes on opposite sides. Use a pair of scissors to widen the hole big enough to slide pencil through.
- Push the pencil through
- If the holes were too big, you can attach duct tape to cover any openings.
- Make the feeding holes: Create holes about 1 1/2 inches above the perch, widen with scissors. The holes should be big enough for birds to eat from, but not too big so that all of the seed falls out!
- Create two small drainage holes at the bottom of the feeder,
- Create two small holes at the top of the bottle, just under cap on opposite sides. Thread your twine through the top holes to create the hanger.
- Use a piece of paper to create a funnel and add bird seed to your feeder.
- Put the cap on and hang outside where you can watch the birds!



## NOW WHAT??

Well, you may have thought making the feeders was the fun part....just wait and see how you feel when the birds start coming to eat your treats!

Try using the next page to see if you can OBSERVE and IDENTIFY any neighborhood birds!!

What's OBSERVE mean? That's just another word for watching and paying attention to something.

What's IDENTIFY? That's another kind of fancy word for naming what you see.

So give it a try - check out the different kinds of birds you might see here in Kodiak with the pictures and write them down as you see them.