

# Jane Asher's SPEEDY BIRDCAKE



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'Birds are not regular customers at my cake shop but I'm always delighted to cater for a new clientele. This delicious recipe will keep them happy and fit through the winter.' *Jane Asher*

## You need:

- Suitable container – coconut shell or clean yoghurt pot
- Heatproof pan
- String

## Ingredients:

- Beef suet or lard (you need one part of lard to two parts of any of the following. You can just use seeds but any of the other ingredients are suitable too.)
- Seeds
- Nuts
- Dried fruits – raisins, sultanas
- Finely chopped bacon rind

## Instructions:

- 1 Melt or soften the suet/lard in a psn.
- 2 Pour the other ingredients you are using into the suet and mix well.
- 3 Place the string into the container so that half of the string is in the container and half is outside. Hold the string in place and pour the mixture into the container over the string.
- 4 Leave your mixture to cool.
- 5 Once the suet has hardened, hang up your container by the string that you left hanging outside the pot or coconut.
- 6 Enjoy watching the birds eating the food. You may see tits, greenfinches and, if you are lucky, great spotted woodpeckers. Blue tits and great tits may perform acrobatics and hang upside down at times while they eat.

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