

Bardon

Visit

Tropical Birdland

Located in Desford, Tropical Birdland is a walk on the wild side. Here you and your unit can walk among the free flying birds, one (or two) might land on your shoulder where you can take a selfie with a parrot.

Important information for Leaders: The site has a large car park or why not add another adventure to your trip and travel there by bus (153 Arriva). There is a small entry fee for this site and group rates are available. Please note, opening times can be weather dependent so please check on their website.

[Follow this link to look at their website for all the latest information on opening times and prices](#)

Want to make a day of it?

Bardon Hill

At 248m in height, Bardon Hill is the highest point in the County. If you wanted to explore Bardon on a sunny day why not climb to the top - look out for the trig point! You could be the top of the world! Don't forget your picnic!

Thornton Reservoir

If you not up for climbing any hills or heights are not your thing then why not walk around Thornton Reservoir. The circular walk is 2.5 miles and parking is free (but limited)!

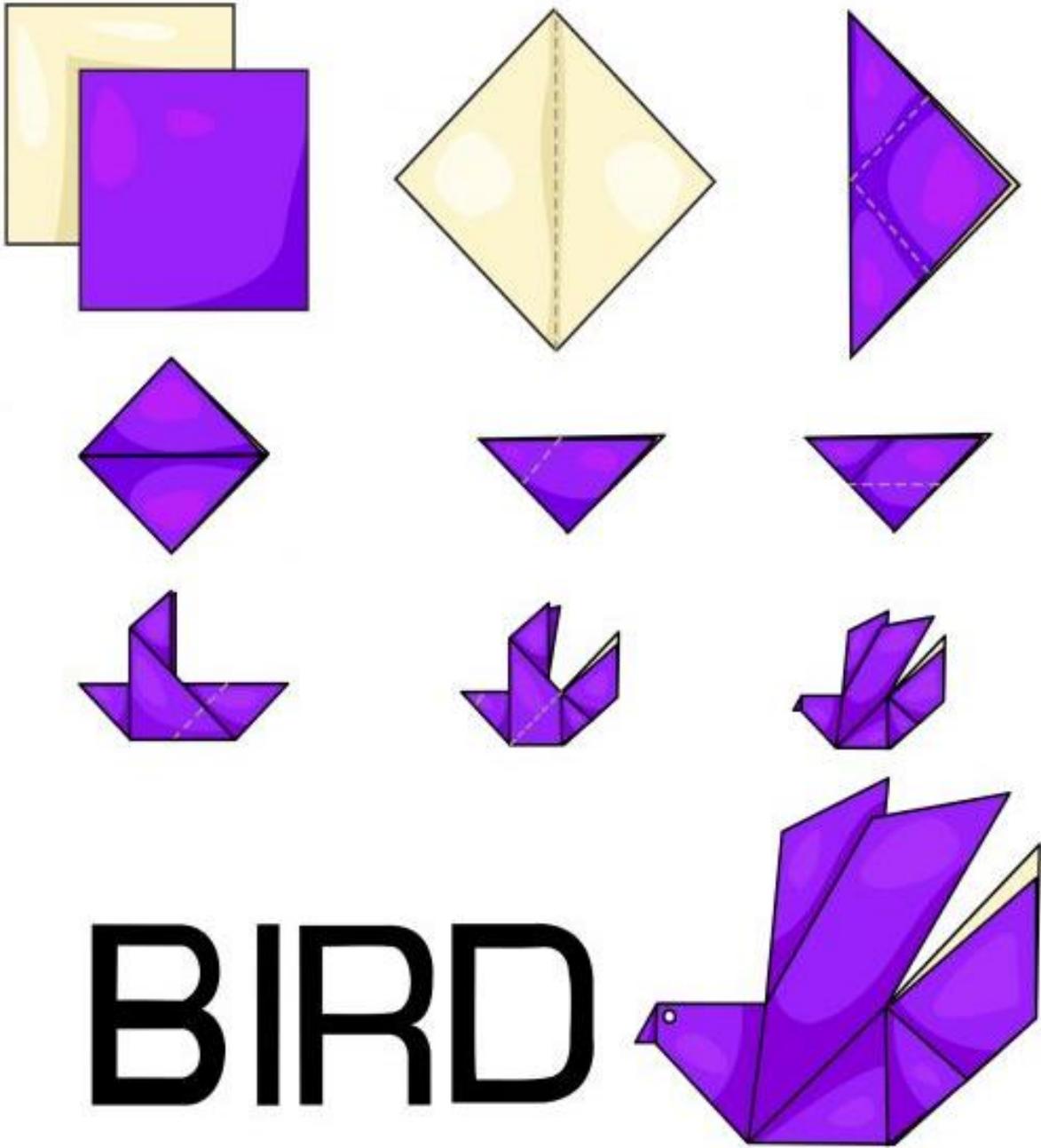
Want to add an extra little treat to your day, look out for the ice cream van! But there is a small café over the road at the Nursery if they are not available.

[Find out all the key information here](#)

Alternatively

Make an Origami Bird

Use the simple instruction of the next page to see if you can make your own origami bird.



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If you would like to try some harder bird designs, [follow this link to find more](#)

Make a Bird Feeder or Bird Pudding

Follow the instructions below to make a quick and easy cake to keep all the birds in your garden happy!

Stuff you will need

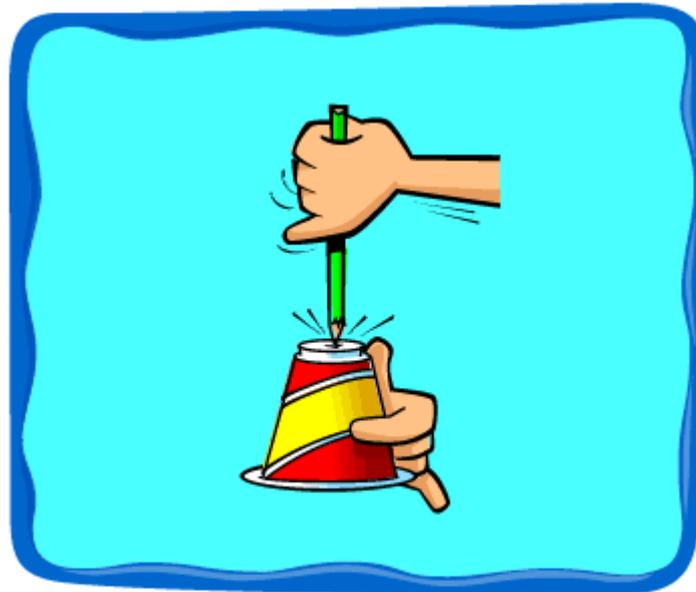
Good quality bird seed, raisins, peanuts, grated cheese, suet or lard, yoghurt pots, string, mixing bowl and scissors.



Important notes for Leaders: This activity is not suitable for girls with nut allergies. Additionally, please note that bird seed, including peanuts bought for birds are not suitable for human consumption.

Steps

1. Carefully make a small hole in the bottom of a yoghurt pot. Thread string through the hole and tie a knot on the inside. Leave enough string so that you can tie the pot to a tree or your bird table.



2. Allow the lard to warm up to room temperature, but don't melt it. Then cut it up into small pieces and put it in the mixing bowl.



3. Add the other ingredients to the bowl and mix them together with your finger tips. Keep adding the seed/raisin/cheese mixture and squidding it until the fat holds it all together.



4. Fill your yoghurt pots with bird cake mixture and put them in the fridge to set for an hour or so.



5. Hang your speedy bird cakes from trees or your bird table. Watch for greenfinches, tits and possibly even great spotted woodpeckers.

