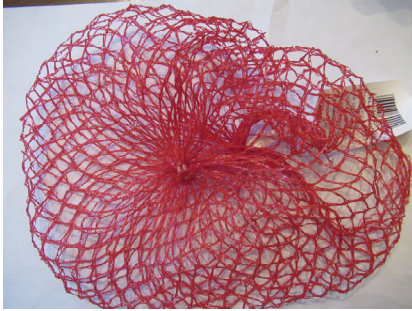


# Make a Bird Nest Supply Bag

Birds are busy building nests and this is a great time to help them gather supplies

1. First you will need a mesh bag like the ones onions or oranges come in.



Mesh Bag

2. Next search your yard for building materials that birds could use to make a nest.

- Leaves, grass, and small sticks all work well. Natural supplies are better for baby birds than man-made. I used some white pine needles since they are not stiff and stay soft.
- You may find some websites that suggest dryer lint or yarn and string. When dryer lint gets wet, it is no longer fluffy and doesn't dry out well, causing chicks to get cold and wet. Yarn and string do not dry well either and pieces that are too long can get tangled around chicks when they move around and injure them.
- Pet hair works, but not human hair.



White Pine Needles



Grass



Small Sticks



Pet fur



Straw



3. Put the items that you find in the bag, use some string to weave around the hole and close it up and make a hanger for the bag. Make sure to poke some items out through the holes so that the birds can get hold of them.

4. Hang it outside and watch the birds come. Look for the nests and what material was used.



Birds at my house like to build nests in the bend of the downspout where they are protected under the overhang.