

Hanging Log Feeder

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Description

In order to build this hanging log feeder it might be useful to go back to our other post on the [Hanging Platform](#) because the basic concepts are the same to make both the top and bottom log segments of the feeder. This hanging log feeder is a fun variation on just the hanging platform feeder and has a lot more capabilities due to having multiple layers to place objects and food items.

Building Materials

In order to build this feeder you only need a few materials.

- Two pre cut log disks
- Dowling or a broom handle of some kind (used for the one in the picture)
- Screws and the appropriate drill bit to pre drill for the screws
- An eye hook

Building Steps:

1. The first thing you want to do is cut the dowling/ broom handle to the desired length, this can be decided based on what you want the feeder to hold and what animals you want to enrich with it. This one is used for birds, primates and other small mammals so the Dowling is cut to about 7 inches. You also need to decide how many you want to use, use less if you want the openings to be larger and use more if you want the openings to be smaller. The one pictured above used 7.
2. Once all the dowling is cut to the desired length we need to then pre drill the holes around the log disks where we want the Dowling to be. Do not skip the pre drilling step as the wood is very likely to crack if not pre drilled.
3. Once all the holes are drilled you want to pre drill holes in the dowling at both ends.
4. Next we are going to put screws through the log disks and the Dowling to secure them, it would be easier to have a partner for this step so they can hold the dowling in place while the other person puts the screws in.

5. Once all the screws are put in for all the dowling you can then do the optional step of adding the eye hook at the top of the feeder, this should also be pre drilled.

Tips/ Comments

This basic concept of the hanging log feeder can be modified significantly for larger animals by simply increasing the scale of the whole project. Screws can also easily be backed out and dowels removed to allow for whole fruit to be placed inside the feeder.

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