

## Milk Carton Bird House

### Supplies:

- A clean, dry recycled milk or juice carton
- Scissors
- White paint (to prime – optional)
- Paint, markers, construction paper, or any other items you wish to use to decorate your bird house
- Glue
- Craft sticks or popsicle sticks (for a perch – optional)
- String or twine (if you plan to hang your birdhouse up)

### Instructions:

1. Carefully cut out the opening/door of your birdhouse. If you would like to draw an outline of the opening before you begin to cut it out, feel free to do so!
2. Carefully create a small hole or slit under the opening of your birdhouse – this is where you will insert the craft stick for the perch.
3. Optional\* – Use white paint to cover the entire carton (This will serve as a primer, if you plan to paint your birdhouse)
4. Using the materials chosen for decoration, begin decorating your birdhouse!
5. Once you have completed your decorations and they are dry, insert the craft stick into the small hole you created in step 2.
6. Add a small amount of glue around the edges of the hole for the perch to help stabilize the craft stick.
7. Your birdhouse is now ready to go! You can add string if you plan to hang it up outside, or you can place it on a patio or porch. If you would like, you can also leave it inside for decoration!

Here are a few examples:

