

Chocolate Nests



Nests are very important for birds (and many other animals too). A nest is the space that a bird uses to lay their eggs, incubate them while they grow, and raise their young. Nests come in many different shapes and sizes and can be made from a variety of materials. If you look carefully you might be able to spot nests all around, maybe even in your kitchen! Here is a fun activity that lets you build your very own yummy nest!

Ingredients

12 oz. chocolate chips (1 bag)

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup peanut butter

5 cups chow mein noodles (10 oz.)

Optional: candy-coated chocolate candies/eggs



1. Line a large baking sheet. In a saucepan, melt chocolate chips and peanut butter on low, stirring constantly, until completely melted.



2. Place chow mein noodles in a large bowl. Pour chocolate mixture over noodles; stir until the noodles are completely coated.



3. On the lined baking sheet, drop 2 tablespoons of the mixture to form a mound and shape into a nest. Repeat with the remaining mixture.



4. Refrigerate until set (about 30 minutes).

Something extra: put a few candies in the nests as eggs for a special treat!