

Birds of Paradise

What you'll need:

- green and purple crepe paper
- light and dark orange construction paper
- Sturdy Stem
- Birds of Paradise template
- stapler
- hot glue gun
- scissors
- pen

What you'll do:

Step 1: Trace orange flower petals. It takes five to six per flower. We used two different shades of orange and mixed and matched the colors as we built the flower. Tip: This is a good take-home project.

Step 2: Trace the large and small leaf patterns on green crepe paper.

Step 3: Trace the stamen on purple crepe paper, at the fold.

Step 4: Cut out everything you trace.

Step 5: Fold the orange pieces in half, hotdog style.

Step 6: Nest three or four orange petals so that they nest together in a fan shape, then fold a large petal so you can tuck the fanned pieces into the bottom portion of the folded petal. Staple where the pieces meet to hold it together.

Step 7: Tuck the purple stamen by wedging it into the orange leaves.

Step 8: Fold one green leaf hamburger style. Add it to the flower by stapling. To help hide the staples, hot glue the last green leaf in place.

Step 9: Hot glue a Sturdy Stem to the back of the flower. Cut a circle of green crepe paper and hot glue it to cover where the Sturdy Stem is attached.



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