

Butterflies Create Four Smart-Fab Butterflies!

Materials:



One sheet of purple Smart-Fab • One sheet of pink Smart-Fab • One sheet of yellow Smart-Fab (You can choose any three colors of Smart-Fab that create the same contrasts in your butterflies) • Two butterfly patterns – one large and one small (click on the link to print them) • Scissors • Marker • Double-sided adhesive tape or fabric glue . Needle and thread . two small beads • Small pliers • Green wire (as used for flower arranging) • Measuring tape or ruler.

Preparation:

- 1. Cut a 16 inch X 16 inch square from the purple Smart-Fab
- 2. Cut a 16 inch X 16 inch square of dark pink Smart-Fab
- 3. Cut 4 pieces of yellow Smart-Fab 5 inches X 2 inches

Procedure:

Making the Butterfly Wings



Fold the 16"x 16" purple square of Smart-Fab in half and then in half again to make a four layer square.

Using a marker, trace the outline of the large butterfly pattern onto the purple Smart-Fab.



Carefully cut along the outline you've marked, holding the Smart-Fab tightly so that the layers cannot move.



Fold the dark pink Smart-Fab into a square. Trace and cut out, using the small butterfly pattern, repeating the above procedure.



Place one of the small butterfly forms on top of one of the large butterfly forms. Be careful to keep it symmetrically centered, preparing them to be sewn together.



Using the needle and thread, make alternating over-under stitches (basting stitches) along the length of the butterfly's body. Stitch in the middle of the butterfly form.



When you have stitched all the way, pull the thread while pinching the body.



Create small wrinkles along the length of the seam. Knot the end of the thread close to the fabric and cut off the remainder.



Assembling the Butterfly



To make the body of the butterfly. Take one piece of yellow Smart-Fab 5"x2" and fold it in half and then fold it in half again. With your hand holding the folded side of the fabric, cut around it to create a rounded finger-shaped form, slightly longer than the length of the butterfly body.



Now, press the straight ends of the wire antennae into the end of the strip of fabric and the doublesided adhesive tape. Cover one strip with the other strip so that the straight ends of the wire antennae are hidden between the two strips. This completes the butterfly's body.



To make the butterfly's antennae, take the green wire and use a pliers to cut off two pieces, each 2 ½ inches long.



Glue the butterfly's body to the middle of the wings.



Create a small curl in the end of each piece of wire with the pliers.





Beginning from the straight end, thread one of the beads along each piece of wire until reaching the curled end. Then, use the pliers to bend the end of the wire in order to hold the bead in place.





Take one of the strips of yellow Smart-Fab you prepared earlier and place a piece of doublesided adhesive tape on it. (This process can be done with fabric glue instead of double-sided adhesive tape)

