

How to Make Cardboard Tube Easter Chicks

How cute are these little guys? Made from a cardboard tube, painted with craft acrylic and then decorated with some feathers, foam feet and felt wings, these chicks are the perfect project to get making this Easter.



Time to make: 30 minutes per animal

You will need:

- X 2 cardboard tubes
- Acrylic paint in yellow
- White, yellow and orange felt
- Yellow, pink and white foam sheets
- Pink and white pom poms
- Black and orange felt pen
- Strong glue
- Green pipe cleaners
- Yellow feathers
- Scissors / pinking shears

How to make it:

1. Paint the tubes yellow with two coats of paint.
2. For the wings, cut a rounded strip of white felt measuring 17cm, then cut three narrower pieces from yellow and white felt. Use pinking shears to snip the bottom of each part of the wing.
3. Layer and glue each strip on top of each other – trim away any excess and snip the middle to create a wing shape. Dot a bit of glue in the middle of the wings and attach to the back of the chick, then glue the top corner of the wings to the front of the tube.
4. As with the bunny, cut the feet out of yellow foam and glue to the base of tube. Once the glue has set, add detail to the feet with an orange pen.
5. Cut a small piece of orange felt into a triangle and glue on for the beak.
6. Draw the eyes on with a black pen.
7. Put a layer of glue inside the top of the tube and stick yellow feathers all the way round.

To make the flowers:

1. Cut out flower petals from pink and yellow foam. Layer up the pink and yellow flowers on top of each other.
2. Insert a green pipe cleaner through the centre of the flowers. Glue a small pom pom on to the centre of the flower to cover the sharp edge and secure the pipe cleaner.