

Flower Fairies

This Craft Makes:

An upcycled fairy friend from a silk flower or old garland

Supplies:



- ♥ Silk/fake flowers or garland (we are going to take them apart)(Motley Kids will often raid the home decor section at Goodwill for garland and flowers, or this is where you can send your old holiday garland when it's worn out)
- ♥ Glue Gun or Craft (tacky) glue
- ♥ Scissors
- ♥ Large round beads (we usually do about a 1" bead) or air-dry clay/Model Magic type compound
- ♥ Chenille Stems/Pipe cleaners
 - ♥ One full length
 - ♥ One cut in half
- ♥ Yarn or string
- ♥ Smaller beads (pony beads work well)
- ♥ Fairy decorating supplies (Buttons, Acorn caps, Fabric scraps, Ribbon, Sequins, etc)
- ♥ Cellophane for wings (wax paper also works well)
- ♥ Sharpie or other permanent markers (fine point)

Steps to Make It:

1. Disassemble your silk flowers -- gently pull the flowers off the stems or cut the stems to free the petals and set the stems aside. We're just going to use the flower petals (and leaves).
2. Take a chenille stem and fold it in half. This will be your fairy's body
3. Wind about 10-15 loops of yarn around your fingers (the more fingers you use the longer your fairy's hair will be, the more loops you make the thicker your fairy's hair will be)
4. Hook the chenille stem through the loops so they are hanging off the bend in the middle
5. Thread your large bead onto your folded chenille stem (both ends) and push it up as far as it will go -- it should pinch your fairy's hair and hold it in place
6. Your fairy's hair is still a big loop. Cut the loop to free the ends up.
7. Wrap your half chenille stem around the folded one just below the large bead. These are your fairy's arms
8. Fold the hands in so you don't have sharp ends
9. Thread a couple of pony beads onto the folded chenille stem to make your fairy's body
10. Thread the chenille stem through the holes in your flower petals so that the petals point down. Try layering several different petals or leaves!
11. Thread one more pony bead onto the chenille stem to secure your skirts
12. Separate the two legs of the chenille stem and fold some feet
13. Put an awesome face on your fairy with your Sharpies
14. Decorate your fairy! Fairies love sparkles and bling
15. Use a button or acorn cap to make a hat!
16. You can make wings with cellophane or parchment paper

