

# Coffee Filter Butterfly

Make a butterfly who's colours blend to make a beautiful masterpiece.

## You'll need:

- washable markers
- water
- cookie sheet
- 2 coffee filters
- eye dropper
- pipe cleaner



## What to do:

1. Layer and flatten the coffee filters on a cookie sheet. The cookie sheet will help keep the mess contained. The filters don't need to be perfectly flat, just flat enough that you can colour on them.
2. Colour your creative designs onto the coffee filters. You'll be colouring on 2 layers, and some of the marker will leak through to the bottom coffee filter.
3. Using an eye dropper and drip water onto the marker until the coffee filter is completely wet. Once the coffee filter is completely wet, stop adding water. If you add a big pool of water the colours will mix together too much and it will take a long time to dry.
4. Place baking sheet in a sunny area (either inside or outside), and let them dry for a couple hours until completely dry.
5. Once they are dry and you pull apart the two coffee filters, you'll end up with two very similar looking layers.
6. Fold each one back and forth, accordion style, in about 1/2" folds and keep folding until you have 2 strips.
7. Put the two folded strips on top of each other
8. Twist a pipe cleaner around the middle so that the two ends point upwards in a big letter "V". Trim the ends to make them even if you need to.
9. Pinch the end of each pipe cleaner and curl it outwards to make a small spiral.
10. Pull apart the folds to open them up and shape your butterfly.