

Project: Takeout Box Birdhouse



Materials:

Quantity	Material
1	Large takeout box in your color of choice
	Scraps of foam in two contrasting colors
1	.25" black foam circle
1	.5" and 1" pompoms
	Feathers to match pompoms
2	Small googly eyes
	Scrap of yellow foam for beak
1	6" chenille steam
	Foam glue

Instructions:

- 1) Cut off notched sides of box top, leaving about an inch to hold the roof pieces.
- 2) Find the center of the remaining flaps and, working from the back side, measure 1.5" from crease and mark. Use a ruler to draw lines from the mark to the crease at the edges, creating a triangle. Cut along the lines and discard.
- 3) From the inside, poke a small hole in the front side about 1" from the bottom center.
- 4) Fold the chenille stem in half and twist to form the perch, about 1.5" long. Poke the perch through the hole and glue ends.
- 5) Glue black circle above perch.
- 6) Cut 2 pieces of foam 5" x 3". Cut short slits for the handle and glue each side to form the roof as shown. Secure with a little glue at the roof peak.
- 7) Make a chain for hanging by cutting .25" x 3" strips of foam and looping together and gluing like a paper chain. The first loop should go through the box handle.
- 8) Glue the two pompoms together for head and glue on eyes.
- 9) Cut a small diamond shape of foam and fold to form beak. Glue in place.
- 10) Glue 2 feathers for wings and 3-4 for tail.
- 11) Glue bird to perch.