

# Coffee Filter Butterfly:

## Supplies/Materials Needed:

1. 2 Coffee Filters
2. Markers
3. Pipe Cleaners
4. Container, baking sheet, or lid to keep the water from spilling
5. Pipette or dropper (optional) - substitute a straw
6. Water



## Steps:

1. Flatten your Coffee Filters inside of your container, baking sheet, lid or a similar vessel. Place one inside the other so they fit together well.
2. Using markers, color and design how you would like.
3. Decorate as desired!
4. Using your dropper, straw, or even fingers, slowly and lightly add water to the filter until it is completely wet. Once the coffee filter is completely wet, stop adding water. If you add a big pool of water the colors will mix together too much, plus it will take forever to dry.
5. Watch as the colors blend together like tie-dye.
6. Let the coffee filters dry. (place in sun for quicker drying)
7. Once they are dry and you pull apart the two coffee filters, you'll end up with two very similar looking layers.
8. Fold each one back and forth, accordion style, in about 1/2 folds.
9. Put the two folded strips on top of each other.
10. 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.
11. Next, pinch the end of each pipe cleaner and curl it outwards to make a small spiral.
12. Finally, pull apart the folds in the coffee filter to open them up and shape your butterfly.



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