

INSTRUCTIONS: DIY Fire Flies

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SUPPLIES:

Save small plastic and glass jars and bottles.

Acrylic paint

Colorful tissue paper.

Hot glue gun

White glue

Water

Colorful pipe cleaners

A perfect recycling kid craft. Save up small plastic and glass jars and bottles.

For the faces, you can paint lids with acrylic paint or just hot glue on a plastic “jewel”. We added googly eyes.

For some, we added tissue paper to the body to make them a bit opaque, and some we left clear! To add the tissue paper, make a mixture of half white glue and half water and using a brush, brush small pieces of tissue paper onto the bottle and allowed to dry. Wings are 2 layers of silver tape adhered together and hot glued to the bottle at the neck.

Wrap a colored pipe cleaner around the neck and twist to make antennae – we made ours curly by wrapping the pipe cleaner around a thin wood dowel.

Depending on the size of the jar opening, place inside the bottle a small LED light or a bunch of glow-in-the-dark flexible “bracelets”. Screw on the lid and attach with filament thread to your trees.

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