

Grass Caterpillar

Create your own grass caterpillar that can you leave on your windowsill, or put in your garden.

Time to complete: 30 Minutes

Age Group: 5+ (with assistance)

Materials:

- Bucket, Scissors, Potting soil, Grass seed, Nylon stockings, Craft googly eyes, Coloured pipe cleaners, Hot-glue gun, glitter glue, pompoms

Instructions:

1. In a plastic bucket or tub mix together potting soil and grass seeds. Enough to fill one or a couple of stocking legs depending on how many you want to make.
2. Cut the waist band off the stockings, so you have two tube-like sections. Do not cut the toe.
3. Fill the stocking leg with soil until it reaches the desired thickness. Tie it off at the end with a knot.
4. Using the coloured pipe cleaners, divide the stocking into sections - to make the caterpillar's body.
5. Soak your caterpillar in a bucket or tub of water for 10 minutes.
6. After 10 minutes, take the caterpillar out and using a hot glue gun, glue googly eyes on the front of the nylon (unknotted end). Also use glitter glue to make a mouth and a pompom for a nose.
7. Twist two pipe cleaners together to make antennae and either poke them through the nylon, or glue them onto the top of the caterpillar
8. Cut 4 pipe-cleaners in half and bend them to make legs. Insert along the caterpillar's body either by poking them through the nylon or using the hot glue.
9. Put your caterpillar in the sunshine and watch it grow!! Give him a haircut when it gets too long!

