peony flowers



TOOLS & MATERIALS

Hot Glue Gun
Needle-Nose Pliers/Wire Cutters
Scissors or Curling Tool
Green Floral Wire — 18- and 24-Gauge
Foam Block (optional)
Round Wood Peg Doll (optional)
Green Floral Tape (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Gently punch flower petals, centers, and leaves from paper.
- 2. Bend tip of 18-gauge floral wire.
- 3. Use edge of scissors or curling tool to shape edges of yellow stamen center.
- 4. Roll center fringe onto wire with curled edge, moving inward; glue along the way. Use fingers to fluff flower center.
- 5. One by one, place petals and sepals on top of foam block; then roll wood peg doll around petal in a circular motion to create cup shape. Then use wood peg doll around edges of petals to create a ruffled look.
- 6. Start with smallest petals and cross over bottom slits in petal; then glue in place.
- 7. Glue petals underneath flower center on floral wire. Continue to glue individual petals from smallest to largest, staggering each row.
- 8. Slide green flower back up floral wire; add a dab of glue near hole and press in place.
- 9. Crumple two paper circles to form a small ball. Glue onto bent tip of floral wire.
- 10. Glue three peony bud petals to wrap around paper ball, staggering each layer.
- 11. Slide larger sepal up floral wire; add a dab of glue near hole and toward edges, and press in place. Glue 24-gauge floral wire to base of leaf, adding second leaf at an angle to cover wire.
- 12. Use edge of scissors or curling tool to shape leaves.
- 13. (Optional) Cover wires with floral tape and wrap the leaf stems to the flower stems.