

Make Your Own Cotton Bud Snowflake

What you need:

- Cotton buds (between 30 to 60 depending on how detailed your snowflake is)
- Plastic straws (clear or white)
- Waxed paper
- Bottle of Glue
- Scissors
- Glitter or paint
- Fishing line

What to do:

- Using the waxed paper as your working surface, start creating your snowflake pattern.
- Q-tips can be bent or cut to make your pattern.
- Once you have the pattern you want, coat the Q-tips and straws with glue and add glitter or paint them.
- Allow them to dry.
- Now it's time to construct your snowflake by gluing each Q-tip and straw together to form your pattern.
- Once you've finished, add an extra bit of glue into each corner to strengthen your snowflake.
- Allow it completely to dry (best to be left overnight).
- Remove from the waxed paper.
- Attach the fishing line and hang your masterpiece!

Did you know?

- That snowflakes are made up of water molecules frozen to ice in a lattice formation which accounts for their six-fold symmetry?
- No two snowflakes are the same—every single snowflake is an original!
- Even though all snowflakes are six-sided crystals, they can be found in seven different shapes – prismatic column, hexagonal plate, cup, hexagonal column, needle, flat plate and dendrite!
- Chinophobia is also known as the fear or dislike of snow.



Some ideas of how your snowflake could look.