



Paper Spider Web



Paper spider webs add super spooky vibes to your home or classroom! DIY cobwebs look great as wall ornament, front door or window ornament, party décor and photo backdrop. All you need for this Halloween craft is paper, pencils, and craft scissors. This is a great DIY project to make with kids and an easy teacher Halloween craft for the classroom. The free printable template for crafting the spider nets is available here: <http://chcotta.ge/bl0302>

Instructions

1) Prepare the printable template

Print the template on thick cardstock or photo paper and cut away the grey areas. You now should have only the black spider net segment.

2) Cut out paper squares

Use a pencil and ruler to mark and cut a square piece of paper. The template comes in three sizes. Cut a square piece of paper according the following dimensions:

Large spider net (ø 40 cm / 15.5 in): 42 cm x 42 cm / 16.5 in x 16.5 in paper square

Medium spider net (ø 30 cm / 12 in): 32 cm x 32 cm / 12.5 in x 12.5 in paper square

Small spider net (ø 20 cm / 8 in): 22 cm x 22 cm / 8.5 in x 8.5 in paper square

3) Fold the square paper

Fold the paper square lengthwise in half and in half again. Then fold the paper diagonally in half. You now should have a cone shape. Optionally, use the bone folder to go over the edges of the paper a couple of times to get flat, crisp folds.

4) Transfer the template

Place the template on the paper cone, making sure the pointy end of the template lines up perfectly with the pointy end of the cone. Now trace around the template with a pencil to transfer the outline onto the paper triangle.

Tip: If you're working with white and light-coloured papers, use the black side of the template and a dark pencil. For black and dark-coloured paper, use the white backside of the template and a white pencil.

5) Cut out the DIY paper spider web

Cut out the paper spider web following the outline and unfold the paper cone.

Tips for hanging the paper spider webs

Apply a small piece of double-sided tape, glue dots, or adhesive sticks to the centre of a paper spider web and stick to a wall or surface. You may have to add a little more tape to support the top half of the spider web. You could also use a single paper spider web as a wall ornament and place it inside a black picture frame or to decorate your windows and front door.

Materials

paper or thin cardstock in black, white, silver, and grey
printable template

Tools

bone folder (optional)
black and white pencils
craft scissors

Paper Tip

It's best to use regular paper or thin cardstock to make a paper spider web. Since the paper is folded a few times, thick paper or cardstock. Very thin papers, such as crepe paper or tissue paper, are too fragile to support the delicate structure of the spider web.