

Indian Bird Mobile

Next time you're stuck inside the house, string together a flock of beautiful birds! Based on a traditional Indian decoration, this felt Indian bird mobile brings a touch of whimsy and joy to your room. Crafty kids will get to make them from scratch and get creative by decorating them with beads and sequins. They look best when you connect several together—the more, the merrier!

What You Need:

- White paper
- Pencil
- 3 sheets of felt, in different colors
- Glue
- Poly-fill or tissue paper
- Scissors
- Sequins
- Pom-poms
- Buttons or googly eyes
- Glitter glue
- Thin ribbon



What You Do:

1. Have your child draw a simple bird shape on the paper and cut it out with scissors.
2. Use the paper template to trace the bird shape on the felt, six times. (This will make three connected birds.)
3. Cut out each bird shape.
4. Lay three birds in a column, facing the same direction.
5. Line up one column of three bird shapes in a straight row, with two inches between each bird. Squeeze a line off glue down the center of each bird from top to bottom, so all three birds have a line of glue down the middle.
6. Lay two feet of ribbon on top of the glue line, connecting all three bird shapes. Allow up to 12" of extra ribbon to extend past the top of the first bird. Let the glue dry to secure the ribbon.
7. Squeeze some glue on each bird shape that's attached to the ribbon.
8. Place a small amount of the poly-fill, or some crumpled tissue paper, on top of the glue.
9. Squeeze a line of glue around the edges of each bird.
10. One at a time, place another bird shape over the poly-fill or tissue, and press the edges down so the two sides of the birds are glued together. Allow to dry.
11. Glue on buttons, sequins and pom-poms to add sparkle on your birds. Glitter glue looks great around the eyes!
12. Tie a loop at the top of the ribbon to hang your bird mobile!