

# XXL Beetle made of Styrofoam

Instructions No. 1931

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🕒 Working time: 1 hour 30 Minutes

Here come great **beetles in XXL size**. With your 30 cm as well as 21 cm body height you make a good impression and are beautiful messengers of spring in your home. An eye-catcher in your four walls and a unique **decoration idea** for celebrations such as birthday parties with jungle and insect theme. Insects are the trend animals of the year and can be tinkered with and designed in many different ways.



## This is how you design the XXL beetles:

Half of one beetle was used per **Polystyrene Egg**.

This can be done with the Cutter be brought into shape. With the **embossing tool** you can emboss lines and patterns for the wings and much more into the. The tool offers many different attachments, which are also ideally suited for fine and filigree patterns

First prime the entire beetle with black **Handicraft paint** and let it dry well. If white spots still shimmer through after drying, you can apply another coat of paint. Now you can design individual passages with Maya colors.

The eyes are designed with the **Pearl pen**.

Form the **legs and feelers out of wire**, put them into this and Polystyrene fix them additionally with the Handicraft glue. wire.

**Tip:** If you want to **use** the beetles for pretty garden decorations, you should seal the beetles with weather protection after you have designed them and weigh down the inside with stones or other heavy objects before you close the bottom.

A nice pastel-coloured alternative:



Would you **prefer to** design the beetles in lighter colours? No problem. The procedure is the same as described above, only that you do not prime Handicraft paint the beetles with black, but paint the pastel colours in nice patterns on the beetles. Another possibility is to design the beetle legs and antennae not with wire, but like the big beetle **Chenille wire** to use. This gives it funny thicker slightly hairy legs and feelers. Instead of the eyes with the Pearl Pen, can also be funny **Wobbly eyes** can be used.

Together with a few smaller bugs, the crawling animals make themselves great on walls or decorated on windowsills and dressers.

The beetles are also beautiful as a craft idea **for the** next children's birthday party **or as a magical** decoration idea on the birthday table.



## Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
132138	Fiskars "Professional metal cutter knife", 18 mm	1
601093	VBS Wobbly eyes to glue on "Mix", 100 pieces	1
650519-01	VBS Chenille wire, 10 piecesBlack	1
111065	VBS Handicraft glue	1
132115	VBS Embossing/Pricking/Quilling Set	1
652124-01	VBS Foam rubber, 2 mmBlack	1
671811-14	Decorative aluminium wire, 2 mmBlack	1
304672-10	VBS Pearl Pen, 28 mlBlack	1
756846-01	Viva Decor Maya StardustNight Blue	1
756501-20	Viva Decor Maya Gold, 45mlGold	1
560085-70	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlBlack	1
560085-41	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlLight blue	1
560085-02	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlSilver	1
560085-14	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlFuchsia	1
560085-92	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlCorall	1