



# Friendly Insects

## Supplies for your Insect Garden Stakes



You will need:

- thin wooden stakes or dowels
- fluffy pompoms
- pipe cleaners
- plastic 'googly' eyes
- glue (I used a glue gun - kids will need extra supervision if you decide to use one...)
- wax paper
- scraps of felt

## Directions...

1. Twist the end of one of the pipe cleaners into a loop, then bend it flat. This is now your base.
2. Take the fluffy pompoms, which will be the body of your insect. Stick it them to your pipe cleaner base one at a time.
3. You can add smaller pom poms to the body for over-sized eyes if you like. Glue on pipe cleaners for legs and arms. Wind another pipe cleaner around the dowel to hold your insect in place.
4. Decorate your insect as you like with bit of felt and googly eyes.

If you don't want to make an ant you could use one big pom-pom and four pipe cleaners (2 legs from one) to make a spider. Or make up an entirely new insect shape! Maybe one with wings - wax paper would be perfect for making wings.

This technique can also be used to make little characters to put on the end of your pens and pencils!

