

Craft Room Kite

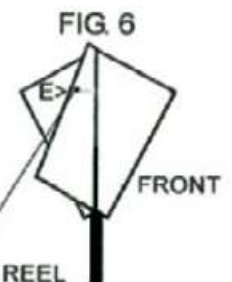
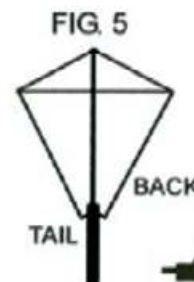
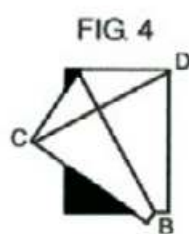
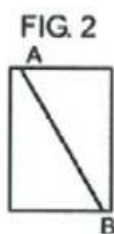
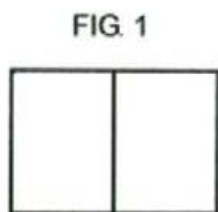
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Thanks for downloading this free kite kit.
We hope it will bring you hours of fun!



WHAT YOU NEED

- Color paper: (20 – 24 pound weight)
- Round mailing sticker or clear tape
- Bamboo barbecue shish-kabobs or bamboo from a bamboo shade. Cut in 8" lengths
- Tail: We like to use surveyor ribbon or flagging tape. Comes in a variety of colors on 1" wide rolls. (Can be purchased at your local hardware store or kitekits.com)
- ½" wide clear tape (invisible or magic tape does not hold up)
- Hole punch
- Flying line, kite string
- Popsicle sticks or cardboard to wind the kite string on (about 6-10 feet +)
- Ruler or other straight edge





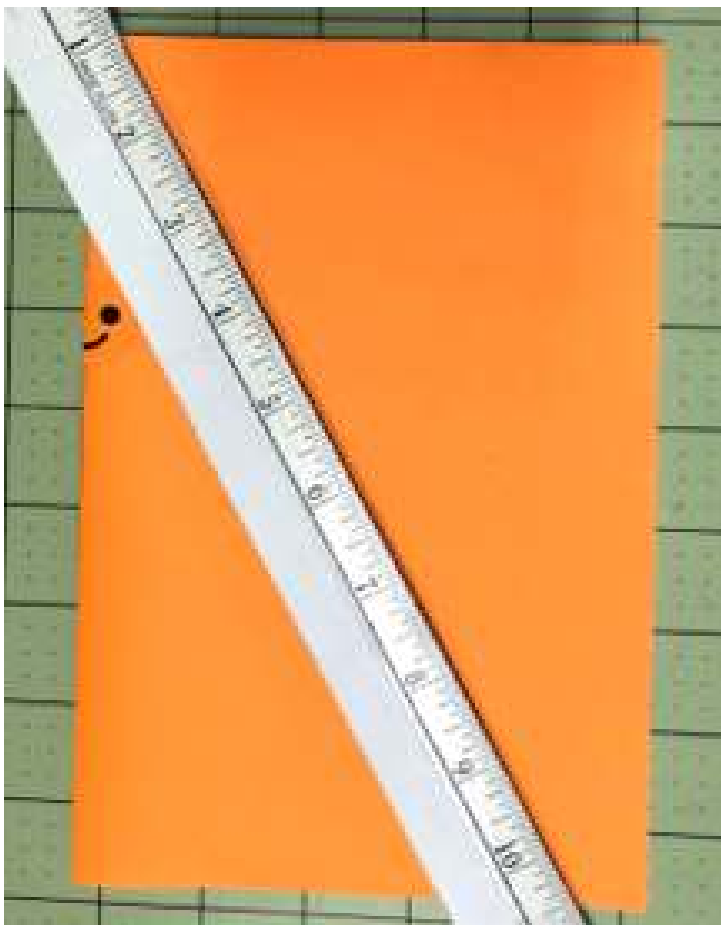
STEP 1

Trace, print or photocopy the master kite plan on to the colored paper.

IMPORTANT: Be sure that the center-line of the kite is in the center of the paper.

STEP 2

Place the round sticker or 1" piece of tape over the smiley face.



STEP 3

Fold the paper in half along the center-line.

STEP 4

With the fold on the left, use the ruler as a guide to fold top layer along the diagonal line on the sheet. (A-B, figure 2)

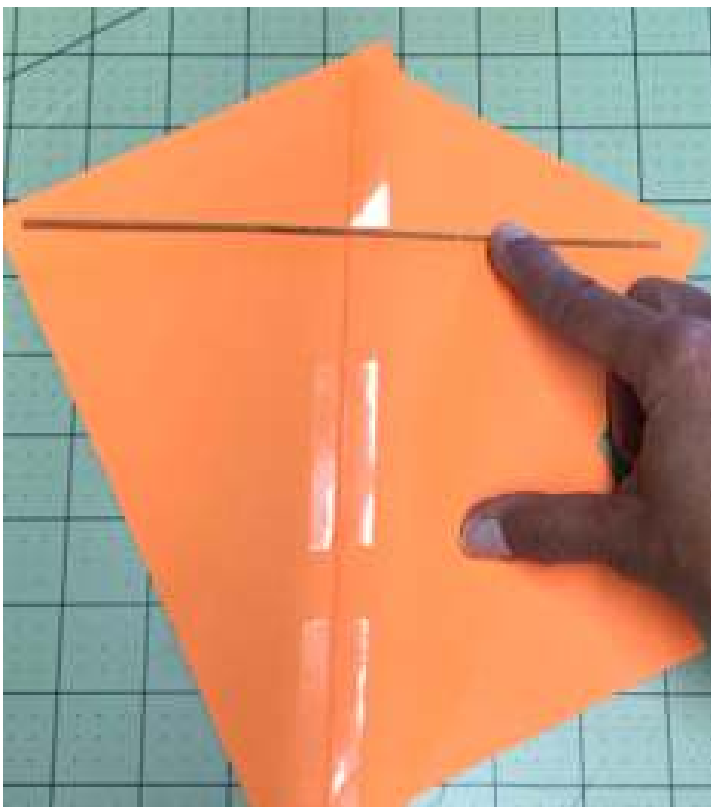


STEP 5

Fold back the other side to match.

Open to kite shape (figure 3).

Tape along the fold-line. (A-B)



STEP 6

Place the 8" bamboo from point C to D and tape down firmly with 3 small pieces of tape.

IMPORTANT: Too much tape will make the kite too heavy to fly.



STEP 7

Attach the tail to the back, bottom, center of the kite with about 1" of tape. About 6-8 feet of surveyor, flagging tape, long and can be folded for a double tail.

STEP 8

Flip the kite over to its back and fold the front keel (where the paper is doubled) back and forth until it stands straight up. A straight keel makes the kite fly straight.



STEP 9

Punch a hole in the keel (at E, figure 6). Use the eyes of the smiley face as a guide for your hole punch.

STEP 10

Tie one end of the kite string through the hole, leaving a little bit of loop so that the knot is not tight against the keel.



STEP 11

Tie the end of the string to the winder (popsicle stick or cardboard) and wind it up.



YOUR KITE IS READY TO FLY!

To launch your kite:

Find an open place, away from trees and buildings.
Avoid streets, cars and power lines.

Stand with the wind to your back and lift the kite above your head.

As the wind catches the kite, let out more line.

Pull the string in a pumping motion to help lift into the sky.

Have fun!

