



Kite Club with a heart



Make a Heart Kite

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1. Print the kite shape with your printer. Or draw your own. It should be about 8 inches wide.
2. Fold through the exact center of the heart, and cut around the edge of the heart. You want both halves to be the same.
3. Find a long, thin straw. Or use two coffee stir straws like I did.
4. Use a sharp knife or scissors to cut one end of one straw about 1/2 inch deep.
5. Pinch the cut end and roll it between your fingers to make the end small enough to fit into the end of the second straw.
6. Tape the two straws together with a short piece of tape. (Postage stamp size.)
7. Now, place the straw on the back of the kite skin. Put the taped part in the center, about 1/2 inch from the V part of the heart. Cut away the ends of the straw so they are about 3/4 inch from each side.
8. Use another piece of tape to fasten one end of the straw about 1/4 inch from the edge of the heart. Repeat for the other side.
9. For flying use thread. I like to use crochet thread about 30 size. Tape one end of the thread on the back side of the kite so the long end drapes over the edge, in the V part of the heart.
10. Cut the strips at the bottom of the page. They are about 1/2 inch wide and just over 8 inches long. 5 is a good number of tail strips.
11. Glue the strips end to end to form a long ribbon.
12. Tape the long ribbon to the point end of the kite/ Valentine Heart.

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There you go, a special Valentine for a special someone! You will seldom see someone flying a Valentine!!