

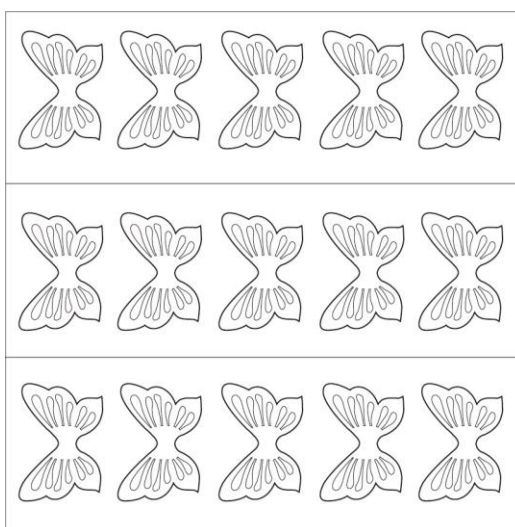
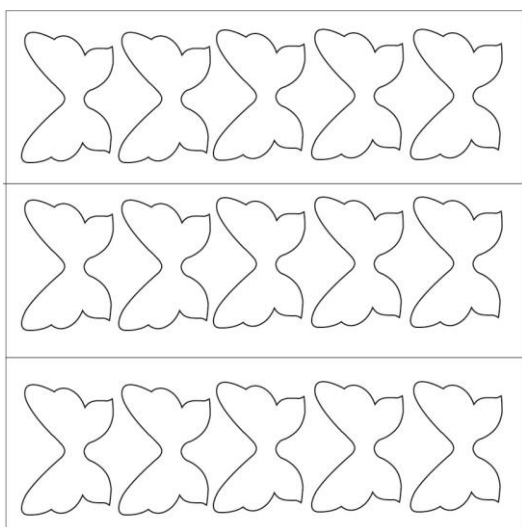
Easy to make Terial Fabric Butterflies to hang or clip for whimsical fun!



Lulu, my three year old granddaughter went to the Academy of Sciences in San Francisco last week. She came home all full of ideas AND wanted butterflies hanging above her bed. Of course my daughter Odessa said yes, why not? So they visited for a Valentine's week-end of creative fun...



We have two easy versions for making the fabric butterflies! In this week part one, we are using an electronic cutting machine to cut out the detailed wings. Next week, part 2, we will show how to make them using your inkjet printer! Included here are 2 jpeg files to convert to your cutting machine



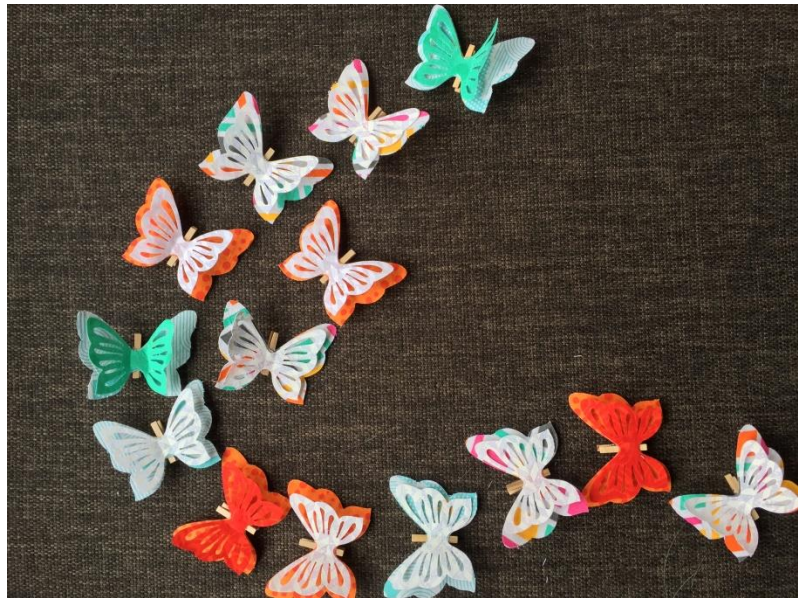
Set up your cut file by converting enclosed pdf to your cut file format. Once you have your butterfly layout, treat fabric, dry to damp then press flat and smooth as possible. Spritz with water if fabric has dried and is wrinkled. Here is the layout I used for my cuts. I divided the mat into 3 separate sections to use different fabrics on the same mat.



Shown here are the 3 different fabrics (4" x 12" each), all on the same mat. Load the mat and cut each layer of wings. Gently and slowly remove butterflies from mat so as to not tear fabric.



Match up the layers then dot the underside of layer 2 with glue (low heat hot glue is my 1st choice), and press onto layer 1 wing background. Add a bead of glue to underside of butterfly center and press on to the middle of mini clothespin.



These adorable butterflies clip easily to branches, plants, gift bows, napkins...so many things!