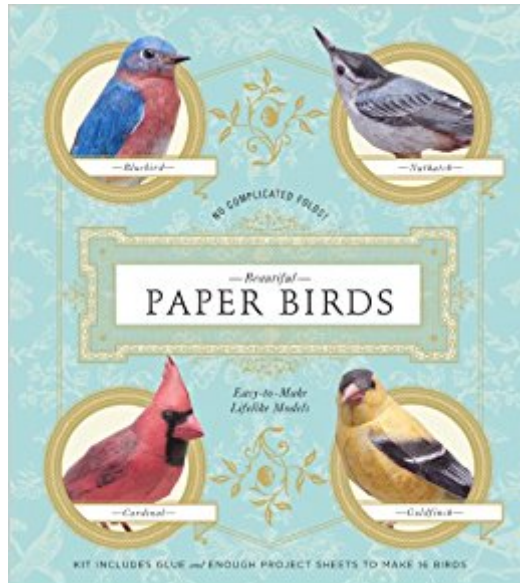


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Beautiful Paper Birds: Easy-to-Make Lifelike Models



Synopsis

Four favorite North American backyard bird species take flight! Inside this inspiring kit you'll find everything needed to create 16 beautiful bluebirds, perky cardinals, lovely goldfinches, and delicate nuthatches. In addition to 36 pre-printed project sheets and one bottle of glue, an enclosed instruction book contains detailed illustrated directions for cutting, gluing, and folding the birds.

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Customer Reviews

Johan Scherft is an artist and paper engineer based in Leiden, the Netherlands. His three-dimensional bird models, along with his drawings, earned Scherft a place at the Royal Academy of Arts in The Hague, from which he graduated in 1993. His work has appeared in numerous exhibitions, including the Petit Gallery in Amsterdam.

I loved these! This was my first introduction to paper crafting, and it's definitely a new hobby now. The models are intricate, but if you're patient and you've got a good pair of scissors and a craft knife, you'll be fine. I used toothpicks for the leg supports (the instructions call for wooden dowels) and they worked perfectly. The instructions were a little vague at times, but there are lots of videos online of the author putting the bird models together, so it's easily researched. I now have a bird wall in my apartment, and I get compliments on them often. Huzzah!

The models that can be made from these paper designs are beautiful. And the photos of the finished works are likewise enviable. But producing your own model is not so easy. The folds

necessary are delicate and many, and the steps to follow require precision and patience. The process can be intimidating if not frustrating. Fortunately the instructions are clear and four complete sets of sheets for each model gives you the opportunity to try again and again should your first efforts prove disappointing. Not for the very young or those in a hurry, and best for experienced modelers and those willing to put the time and effort to achieve the beautiful rewards that can be had.

Not for beginners, this exquisite craft kit turns out some pretty amazing models. Sixteen of them to be exact, four of each bird. The directions are good and the paper is just right. My only suggestion might be that half the models be the female versions of the birds (different or more dull colorings for each species). In my opinion this would be more realistic for displays, as we see plenty of both male & female species at our bird feeders. My 12-year-old daughter, who is really good at crafts, put these together and I was really impressed. The glue is included in the kit but we had to buy a pack of wooden skewers for the birds' legs.

These projects take patience and very fine motor skills with your fingers. That being said, the birds are life like, and I enjoyed making them. You have to really be precise with the cuts, especially of the tabs. Therefore having an X-Acto blade is helpful. I curved the paper in places around my finger to give the birds a nice, rounded shape. In summary, the author did a fine job with the detail and coloration of the birds, and this is a project that gives me peace and relaxation since I have to concentrate and leave all of my worries behind. I would recommend this project to people who have a lot of patience and who are not feeling rushed.

Excellent, good value, I already knew his work, and it is improving with time, his last designs are even easier to make, with excellent fit. The presentation is also awesome, packing everything you need in just one box (even the glue!!). Highly recommended

I love this paper bird set! Just beautiful, realistic artwork! I haven't made the birds yet but am looking forward to it with great anticipation. The instructions are detailed and seem clear.

These are not beginner paper craft, but are still easy to make. I would recommend them for adults and teenagers who have an interest in puzzles and making things. I am absolutely charmed by these designs which really brighten up the house.

The models are a bit advanced, but the directions are clear and the coloring is gorgeous.

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