



## Mother's Day Chenille Pipe Cleaner Flower Bouquet

### Supplies Needed

- #40000481 Light Blue Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (\*1 pk)
  - #40000468 White Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (\*1 pk)
  - #40000474 Yellow Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (\*1 pk)
  - #40000477 Orange Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (\*1 pk)
  - #40000475 Pink Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (\*1 pk)
  - #40000481 Light Blue Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (\*1 pk)
  - #40000482 Moss Green Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (1 pk)
  - #40000472 Emerald Green Chenille Pipe Cleaners, 6mm x 12", 25 pc. (1 pk)
  - #40000531 Wood Dowels, 1/8" x 12", 22 pc. (1 pk)
- \*Petals for each color flower use 12-15 same color pipe cleaners

### Tools & Other Supplies Needed

- Wire Cutters or Scissors
- Green Floral Tape

### Instructions:

1. Each flower has six petals. Each petal uses two to two and one-half pipe cleaners of the same color. Bend one 12" pipe cleaner in half and cut \*two or \*three 6" pieces (\*using three 6" pieces will make fuller flower petals). Bend the 6" pieces in half and slide them onto the middle of the 12" pipe cleaner. Twist the middle of the 12" pipe cleaner 2x around the middle of the 6" chenille pieces.
2. Bring each side of the 12" pipe cleaner down along the outside side edges of the 6" pieces which are now in the middle. Join and snug all the pipe cleaners together at the base of the 6" pieces. Wrap one side of the 12" pipe cleaner around the base of the 6" pieces, and down around the other side of the 12" stem. Smooth the petals out with your fingers and curve them slightly outward to make a petal shape. Repeat this step to make a total of six petals.
3. Using the same technique as you did to make the petals, use two moss green pipe cleaners to make a leaf. Cut one in half into two 6" pieces. Pinch the chenille pieces closer together to resemble a leaf rather than a petal. Repeat this step one more time to make a total of two leaves.
4. Cut an emerald-green pipe cleaner in half. Beginning approximately 1 ½" from one end of a wood dowel, wrap the half piece of emerald-green pipe cleaner around the dowel until you reach the end. Twist the end of the pipe cleaner so it covers the end of the dowel. This will be the middle (stigma) of the flower.
5. Cut an arm's length of floral tape. Just underneath the wrapped emerald-green pipe cleaner from the previous step, wrap one end of the floral tape around the dowel a

couple of times. Continue wrapping floral tape, around the stem of each petal, one petal at a time, until you have all six petals wrapped and equally spaced onto the dowel. Adding more floral tape as needed, wrap the floral tape down around the dowel and the stem of the first leaf. Continue wrapping the floral tape around the dowel and stem of the leaf, then wrap on the second leaf. Continue wrapping floral tape around the stem of the leaf and the dowel until you reach the bottom of the dowel.

6. Repeat steps 1-5 to make the desired number of flowers.

**PRO TIP:** Flowers can be displayed in a vase or wrapped in colorful tissue paper as a presentation bouquet.

**SKILL LEVEL:** Beginner

**APPROXIMATE CRAFTING TIME:** 10 Min. per Flower