

How To Make a Giant Wall Daisy: Perfect for Backdrops



Creating a giant wall daisy is a fun and whimsical way to add a touch of nature-inspired art to your home. Here are step-by-step instructions on how to make one.

Materials You Will Need:

- **Petals:** This is the bulk of your project. You can use different materials depending on the look you're going for.
 - **Paper:** Poster board, cardstock, or even thick craft paper work well. White or a very light color is a classic choice for petals.
 - **Foam board:** This is sturdier and gives a more dimensional look. You can find it at most craft stores.
 - **Fabric:** Felt or stiffened cotton are good options if you want a softer, more pliable daisy.
- **Center:**
 - **Styrofoam ball:** A large styrofoam sphere, cut in half, makes a great base for the center.
 - **Cardboard or foam board circle:** If you want a flatter center, this is a good option.
 - **Yarn, tissue paper, or pom-poms:** These can be used to cover the center and give it a textured look. Yellow or orange are traditional colors.
- **Adhesive:**
 - **Hot glue gun:** This is the most effective adhesive for this project, as it dries quickly and holds well.
 - **Craft glue:** If you're using paper and don't have a hot glue gun, this can work, but it will take longer to dry.
- **Cutting Tools:**
 - **Scissors:** Good for cutting paper or fabric.
 - **Craft knife or box cutter:** Essential if you're using foam board. **(Use with caution!)**
- **Other supplies:**
 - **Pencil**
 - **Ruler or measuring tape**
 - **A large compass or a round object (like a plate or bowl) for tracing a circle**
 - **Wall mounting strips or double-sided mounting tape:** To hang the finished daisy on the wall.

Step 1: Create the Petal Template



1. **Draw a petal shape:** On a piece of scrap paper, draw one large petal. The size of your petal will determine the overall size of your daisy. A good starting point is a petal that is about 12-18 inches long and 6-8 inches wide at its widest point. Make sure the bottom of the petal is slightly narrower than the top, so it fits neatly around the center.
2. **Refine the shape:** Cut out the paper template and hold it up to a wall to get a feel for the size. Adjust the shape and size as needed. This will be your master template for all the petals.

Step 2: Cut Out the Petals



1. **Trace the template:** Lay your petal material (paper, foam board, etc.) flat. Place your template on top and trace around it with a pencil.
2. **Determine the number of petals:** The number of petals you need depends on the size of your center and how full you want the daisy to look. A good number is usually between 8 and 12 petals for a large daisy. A simple test is to lay your paper template petals in a circle to see how many you'll need.
3. **Cut the petals:** Carefully cut out all the petals using scissors or a craft knife. Be precise to ensure they are all uniform.

Step 3: Create the Center of the Daisy



1. **Choose your base:** If you're using a styrofoam ball, cut it in half with a craft knife to create a flat back. If you're using a cardboard or foam board circle, trace and cut a large circle. This circle should be big enough to accommodate the bottoms of all your petals.
2. **Add texture and color:** This is where you can get creative.
 - **Yarn:** Wrap yellow or orange yarn tightly around the styrofoam half-sphere, securing it with hot glue.
 - **Tissue paper:** Cut yellow or orange tissue paper into small squares. Crumple them up and hot glue them to the center base, packing them tightly to create a fluffy, textured look.
 - **Pom-poms:** Glue small yellow pom-poms all over the center base.

- **Just color:** You can also just paint your foam board or cardboard circle a bright yellow.

Step 4: Assemble the Daisy



1. **Lay out the petals:** On a large, flat surface, arrange your petals in a circle. Place them so that the narrow ends are all pointing toward the center.
2. **Attach the petals to the center:** Carefully pick up one petal and apply a line of hot glue to the bottom narrow end. Press the end firmly onto the side of your daisy center, making sure the flat part of the petal is against the flat side of the center.

3. **Continue adding petals:** Work your way around the center, attaching one petal at a time. The petals should be placed close enough so they are touching or slightly overlapping at the base, creating a full flower.

Step 5: Mount and Hang the Daisy



1. **Prepare the wall:** Decide where you want to hang your daisy. Clean the wall surface to ensure the adhesive strips will stick properly.
2. **Attach the mounting strips:** Apply your wall mounting strips or double-sided tape to the back of the center of your daisy and the back of each individual petal. For a large daisy,

using a few strips on the back of the center and one or two on the back of each petal will give you the most secure hold.

3. **Hang the daisy:**

- Start by pressing the center firmly against the wall. Hold it in place for 30 seconds to allow the adhesive to bond.
- One by one, position each petal around the center. Press each petal firmly against the wall to secure it.
- Step back and check the arrangement. You can gently adjust the position of the petals if needed before the adhesive fully sets.

You now have a beautiful, giant daisy to brighten up your wall!