

# MAKE HALLOWEEN WILD

## Peacock Mask for Halloween

Did you know that only male peacocks have large and colorful tail feathers? The females are called peahens, and they have dark and short feathers. All the male tail feathers have spots that look like eyes (see photo at right). With a parent's help, make this mask and dress as a colorful peacock for Halloween!

### What you need:

6 ribbons (½ inch by 2 feet) in neon green and blues  
2 pieces of green ribbon, each 2 feet long and ½ inch wide  
Light blue and dark blue marking pens or colored pencils  
One sheet each (8½ by 11 inches) of blue, green, orange construction paper  
6 crepe-paper streamers (about 2 inches wide by 2 feet long), 2 blue, 2 green, 2 purple  
Glue stick, Scissors, Pencil, Stapler

### What to do:

- 1. STENCILS:** With a parent's permission, go to [www.zoosociety.org/kidsstuff](http://www.zoosociety.org/kidsstuff) and print out the peacock mask stencil plus beak, feathers, and eyespot stencils. Use scissors to cut out all stencils along the bold lines.
- 2. MASK:** Place mask stencil on blue construction paper; trace it with a pencil and then cut out mask with scissors.
- 3. EYES:** Draw circles on your mask. Poke scissors through center of each circle and cut around lines.
- 4. BEAK:** Place beak stencil on orange paper; trace it with a pencil and then cut out beak.
- 5. FEATHERS:** Use stencils to draw several small and large "feathers" on green paper; cut them out. Glue them in different places on mask (see finished mask, above, for ideas).
- 6. EYESPOTS:** Use stencil to draw several eyespots on orange paper. With marking pens or colored pencils, color in light blue and dark blue circles inside orange eyespots. Cut out each eyespot. (see photo of eyespot above).
- 7. TIES:** Staple one 2-foot green ribbon to each X spot on the mask. Use these ribbons to tie the mask onto your face.
- 8. TAIL FEATHERS:** At top of peacock mask, glue one end of each streamer and 6 remaining ribbons. Glue eyespots onto tops of streamers. Let glue dry. When you wear your mask, streamers and ribbons will trail behind you just like a real peacock's tail feathers.

