

PEACOCK PARTY!



Spring means bright and vivid colors returning to the world, and what better animal to celebrate spring than the peacock! With their amazing trains and brilliant “crowns,” called crests, peacocks are definitely some of the most colorful animals at the Zoo. Only males are peacocks; females are called peahens, and together they are called peafowl. There are three types of peafowl: Indian, green and Congo. The Milwaukee County Zoo is home to 42 Indian peafowl that roam around the grounds as well as two Congo peafowl in the bird building.

MAKE YOUR OWN PAPER PLATE PEACOCK

You will need:

- Paintbrush
- Turquoise paint
- 9-inch paper plate
- 6-inch paper plate
- Green, gold and tan construction paper
- Blue marker/stickers
- Googly eyes
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Glue

Directions:

1. Trim the edges of the smaller plate to make it look like a peacock head.
2. Paint the bottom side of both plates using the turquoise paint and set to dry.
3. Cut 8 long strips of green construction paper about 1½ inches wide.
4. Use your tan construction paper to cut out two feet and a triangle beak.
5. Cut small circles out of the gold construction paper.
6. When the plates are dry, staple the smaller plate to the larger plate to make a peacock face and body.
7. Fold the green strips end to end around the rim of the larger plate and staple them to make long peacock feathers.
8. Glue the beak, googly eyes and feet onto the peacock.
9. Use the gold circles and blue marker/stickers to decorate the green peacock feathers.





PEACOCK FEATHER FRUIT KABOB

One of the most incredible things about peacocks are their trains, which are made up of more than 200 vibrant blue and green feathers. Train feathers make up more than 60% of a peacock's body and are used both to attract mates and scare off rivals. Make your own peacock feathers using your favorite colorful fruit!

Ingredients:

- Blueberries
- Kiwi
- Green grapes
- Small wooden skewer

Directions:

Peel and slice your kiwi. Alternate putting the different types of fruit on the skewer until you reach the end.



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you find the 7 differences between the peacocks?



ANSWERS: 1. FEATHER SPOTS 2. EYE PUPILS 3. BELLY 4. FEET 5. CHEST FEATHERS 6. EYE SHADOWING 7. BEAK