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There's Bats in my Belfry!



There's bats in my belfry! For the cost of spray adhesive and some fabric that we in the furniture industry call dust cloth (it's that stuff on the bottom of your box springs or on the bottom of your sofa), this is a cheap, cheap, cheap way to make some bats. I can whip out a bat, from start to finish, in less than an hour now and what a great way to recycle milk jugs!

Here's how you do it (10 easy steps!!):



1) cut the handle/spout area and the bottom off of the jug



2) use a heat gun to *gently* reshape and flatten the plastic and remember to remove any labels



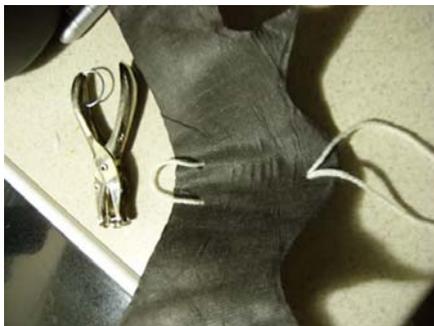
3) cut your basic bat wing shape (I folded my plastic in half and cut both sides at once for better



4) cut the handle/spout area to fit onto your wings. You may have to cut the spout off or trim very closely to it to fit it on the wing area



5) use spray adhesive to attach the fabric onto both sides of the wings. it's easier to glue and cut and glue and cut again because the fabric is dark and the plastic disappears



6) use a basic hole punch and make 3 holes (2 in head area and 1 at tail area) and use strong fishing line to thread for hanging (the yarn is for demo only)



7) determine the angle you want your bat to fly at and knot the fishing line very, very well (again, yarn is for demo only)



8) use spray adhesive on the **INSIDE** area of the handle/spout and tuck the fabric to the inside and secure (the fabric will stay loose on the outside and that "hides" the handle)



9) using a basic stapler, secure the body onto the wings. you can cover the silver color of the staples with a standard black sharpie marker



10) make a bunch of (cheap) bats and fly them proudly!! I have the perfect tree for a bounty of bats...

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