Retro paper pinwheel

These paper pinwheels are a kids classic and super easy to make for little hands. They’re also great for putting a fun ‘spin’ on your DIY summer party decorations!

Crafty shopping list

• Scissors
• Pencil
• Paper squares
• Paper straws
• Drawing pins
• Blu tack

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How to make your paper pinwheel

Fold your square of paper in half to make a triangle, then unfold it and repeat the other way, so you can see the centre point of your paper where the fold lines cross.

Crafty variations

- Use a paper hexagon instead of a square to make a pinwheel with six points!
- Stick two different coloured or patterned pieces of paper back-to-back to make a two-tone pinwheel
- Make a pinwheel garland by ditching the straws and attaching a whole host of them to a single ribbon.

Use scissors to start cutting down each of the four fold lines. The cuts should go just over halfway to the centre.

You'll now have 8 points – two at each corner. Make a hole with a drawing pin on every other tip, placing a piece of blu tack under your paper when you do this. Then poking a final hole through the centre point of the paper.

If you’re using paper with one white and one patterned side, turn the paper white side up.

Top tip

Take a second to admire your work! Take a photo and share it with the hashtag #crafternoon on Facebook or Instagram.

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