

'THE HAPPY SLED KITE'

Virtually guaranteed to fly 😊

Materials:

Lightweight polythene

- such as a carrier bag

2 thin sticks 30cm long

- BBQ sticks, 3mm dowel or drinking straws work well

Tail streamer 2m long x 5cm wide

- carrier bag plastic or similar

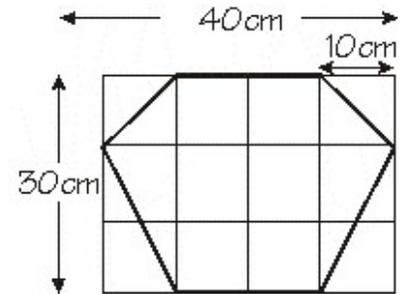
Thin string or button thread for bridle

Sellotape (not magic tape)

Lots of thin string for the flying line

A handle for the flying line

- which could be made from a piece of cardboard



Construction:

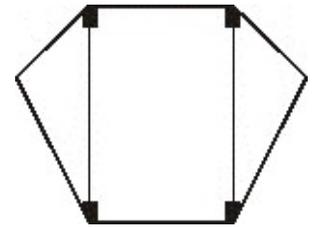
Cut kite shape as shown.

The plan can be scaled up or down as necessary.

Place the two sticks in position at the corners of the kite.

Secure top and bottom of sticks with sellotape.

Fold over any extra tape at the top and bottom.

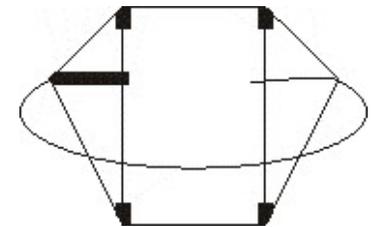


Cut the bridle line approximately 2m long (6 x height of the kite).

Tie one end of the bridle line to stick.

Secure with tape through point of wing, as shown.

Try to smooth tape down without wrinkles.



Repeat on the other side.

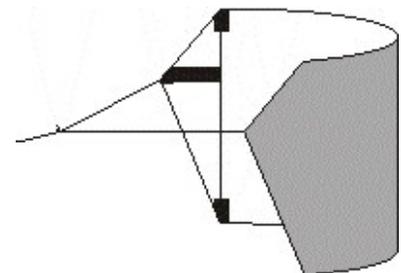
- it's easier with two people - one holding, one sticking.

Fold kite in half, bringing the two points together.

Tie a loop in the centre of the bridle.

Attach flying line to the loop.

Tape tail onto each bottom corner, removing any twists..

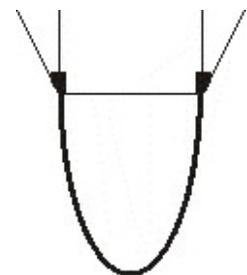


Your kite is now ready to fly but remember

Safe Kite Flying is Happy Kite Flying

so observe the following at all times:-

- 60 metres maximum flying height.
- Do not fly near overhead cables of any sort.
- Do not fly over roads, railways or buildings.
- Do not fly within 3 miles of where aeroplanes take off.
- Do not fly over people or near animals, especially horses.



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