

Create an Egg Carton Penguin

Egg cartons are known to have abundant uses. As you get into the cold winter months, discuss penguins with your child by creating these adorable egg carton penguins!

What You Need:

- Egg carton
- Black paint
- White and orange paper
- Googly eyes
- Scissors
- Glue

What You Do:

1. Cut up the egg carton into individual sections (where one egg fits).
2. Ask your child, "What do penguins look like?" Read a story about a penguin or look at some pictures of penguins together to help them describe. Listen in and add on to their description of a penguin. Once you've agreed on a good description of a penguin, tell your child that today you will make penguins out of egg cartons.
3. Have your child paint the entire outside of the cup (face down) with black paint. Let it dry completely.
4. Cut out a beak (triangle) and 2 feet (solid U-shape) from the orange paper.
5. Cut out a belly (larger solid U-shape) out of the white paper.
6. Once the paint has dried, have your child assemble their penguin by gluing the belly onto the black cup. Then, have them glue on the beak and eyes. Ask your child to fold the feet and glue them onto the inside of the cup.

Enjoy creating as many of these egg carton penguins as you like. You could name them and create an entire colony of penguins. As an extension activity, design a habitat similar to Antarctica for your colony of penguins out of a shoebox or any other recyclable material you may have at home.

