

Penguin TP tube craft

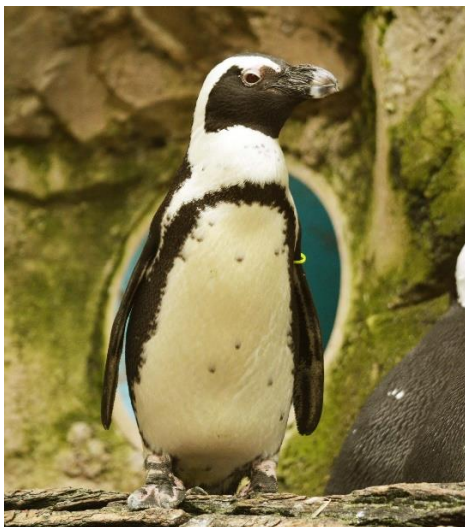


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First, a little background on penguins. Penguins live in and around water and are well adapted for swimming with their webbed feet and waterproof feathers. For penguins and other animals that live around water, it is especially important to have good clean water since that is where most of their food comes from.

African black-footed penguins, the penguins that live at Seneca Park Zoo, are mostly black, including on their backs, feet, wings, and faces. They also have mostly white bellies except for a distinctive black band across the top of their chests.



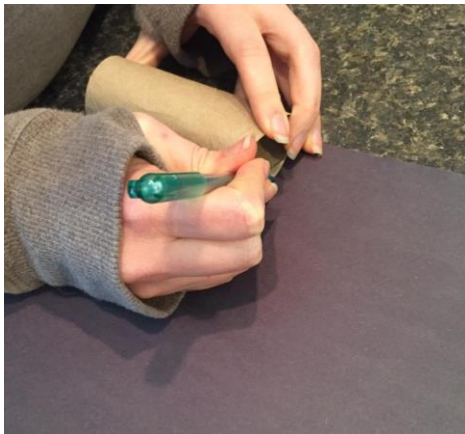
Now that we know a little more about penguins, we can make our own penguins!



Materials:

- A toilet paper tube
- Three colors of construction paper (or white paper to color)
- Scissors
- Tape or glue
- Crayons, colored pencils, or markers

Our penguin starts with the body. Find a piece of paper that is the color you want and cut it to be the same height as your TP tube. This will make up your penguin's body. If you don't have colored paper, use white paper and color it in. If you want to model your penguin after an African black-footed penguin, you should use black paper for your body.

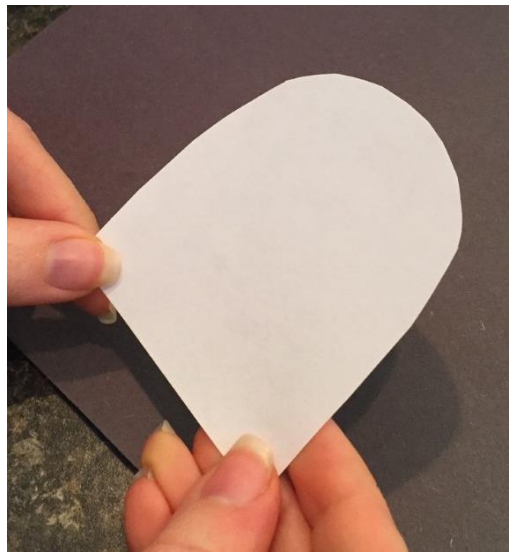


Glue or tape your paper around your TP tube.



Next, we need to cut out a belly for the penguin. Choose a different color paper and cut out a rectangle that will fit on the front of your penguin, about 2 inches by 3 inches. If you are modeling your penguin after an African black-footed penguin, you should use white paper for your penguin's belly.

Round the top two corners of your rectangle so that it looks more penguin-shaped.



Glue or tape this piece to the front of your penguin body.





If you want to model your penguin after an African black-footed penguin, you might also want to add a strip of black paper across the top of the belly to represent the black band you would see on our penguins at the Zoo.



Now, we need to give our penguin a beak. African black-footed penguins have black beaks, but that will be hard to see on our penguin. Choose a different color paper so you will be able to see the beak. I will choose grey for my beak. Fold your piece of paper in half and cut a triangle starting and ending at the folded side. This will create a pre-folded beak for your penguin.

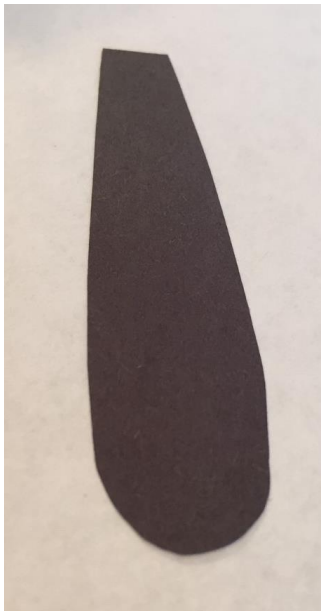


Glue or tape your beak on your penguin above the belly you just made. Make sure to draw your penguin some eyes as well.



Next, we have to give our penguin wings. Cut some wings out of paper. If you are making an African black-footed penguin, you should make your wings black like the penguin's body.

Glue or tape your wings to your penguin.



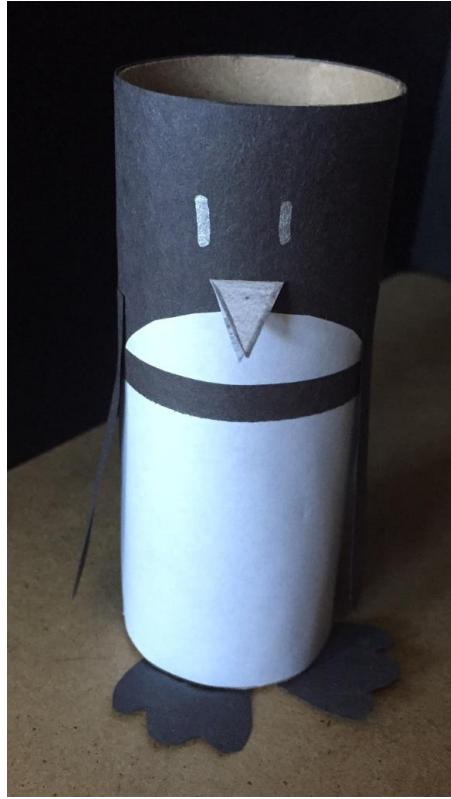
We're almost done!

Last, we need to give our penguin some feet. If you are making an African black-footed penguin, you should use black paper for your feet. Cut out feet like the ones pictured below. Make sure they are long enough that you can fold them and glue or tape the ends of them into the tube of your penguin's body. Penguins have webbed feet to help them swim in nature, so make sure your penguin has webbed feet too.



Glue or tape the back part of your penguin's feet into the tube of its body so that the front part of its feet are still sticking out.





You did it! Congrats on finishing your very own penguin TP tube! Now you can have it act like a penguin. You could try swimming or waddling with your penguin around your house!