

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

CAKE:

- 2 x large rectangular buttercakes (we bought some but you're welcome to make your own instead!)
- Chocolate (for melting)
- Butter Icing (any recipe will do!)
- 2 x Chocolate Flakes

DECORATIONS:

- Chocolate shells or real shells
- A real leaf from the garden for the tail
- Or Marzipan and green food colouring for an edible tail.



Be sure to ask an adult if its ok to decorate your stickbird with things you have found at the Beach!



(Sometimes we accidently pick up someones home thinking its just a pretty shell)



WHAT TO DO:

 Make the butter icing according to a recipe – don't add any colour, keep it's natural colour





2. Place the 2 cakes next to each other on a board so they form a square/rectangle shape

3. Cut them into a oval shape (keep the off cuts)

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4. Use 3 offcuts back to back to form a 'tail' shape and one at the front for the neck, use some of the butter icing to 'glue' them on to the base of the cake



WHAT TO DO:

5. Cover the whole cake with a layer of butter icing and put in the fridge to harden, don't worry if you miss bits as you will do a second layer





6. Whilst cooling, make your Stickbird's head by melting a couple of cubes of cooking chocolate in a pan over a low heat

- 7. With a sharp knife cut 1/3 of one of the chocolate flakes off
- 8. Lay out the 2 flakes on a flat board in the shape of your Stickbird head Using the melted chocolate, drizzle some over the join facing up, place in the fridge for 10 mins and then repeat on the other side of the join (being careful as you turn it over)





9. Cover your Stickbird's body in another layer of butter icing and return to fridge



WHAT TO DO:

TAIL

You can either use a leaf from the garden or you can make an edible one by using marzipan & green food colouring and mould it into a fern shape.



ASSEMBLY

When everything has chilled in the fridge for around an hour, make a hole in the front of the cake where the chocolate neck/head needs to go with the handle of a wooden spoon and then carefully push the chocolate head into that hole. Add your tail and either real or chocolate shells to give him a bow



Make sure some big kids don't come along and eat him.

