

<u>Soap Swan</u>

This is a vintage pattern, and I think the shape of the Dove Soap has changed. You may have to modify the pattern or the bar of soap to complete this project. I have used a bar of Dove from about 20 years ago. I had made it into a swan at that time, and just dismantled it and rebuilt it with fresh materials. I believe you could use any Bath bar, and, perhaps carve the edges at the point that makes the tail.

Materials: 1 Bar of Soap 2 pieces of white nylon net 10 X 18 inches 1 white chenille stem, cut in half and twisted together 1 inch Styrofoam ball 2 wiggly eyes 2MM size White Glue (Tacky) Yellow food coloring Round Toothpick Twist tie or short piece of yarn A few small silk flowers 3 Bulletin Board Push Pins Optional: a few sequins in assorted colors

Stack the nylon net. Lay soap about in the middle and gather it, pulling upward at the end for the tail. Arrange it until you are pleased with the appearance; then fasten tightly with twist tie or yarn. Using the photo as a guide, insert twisted chenille stem into front of soap and bend it into a curve. Insert the other end into the Styrofoam ball. Dip the toothpick into the yellow food coloring about 1/3 of the way. Cut that part, and dip in white glue and push into Styrofoam ball for the beak. Glue the eyes in place, and add a few flowers at the base of the neck and one on top of the head. Push the pins into the bottom of the soap in a triangular pattern. White glue sequins to tail at random, if you like.