

Downeast Thunder Farm Eastern Tailed Blue Butterfly

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- Create two mirror images for a double-sided ornament.
- Position the black lower under-wings topped by the lower blue wings. Tack around the edge of the blue felt with a matching blue running stitch using one strand of floss.
- Position the upper blue wings overlapping the lower wings slightly. Tack with a blue running stitch around the edge. Tack the black wing edges with black floss.
- Position the head and attach it with a white blanket stitch. Use two black seed beads for the eyes.
- Sew the decorative running stitches on the body using one strand of black or dark gray floss.
- Add the eyes with orange floss in a satin stitch bordered by black at the bottom.
- Create the "tails" by knotting your floss and tacking it to the back of the body, leaving a length below and cut. Repeat on the other side.
- Tack a "V" of black wire to the back of one of the bodies for antennae. Tack another length of wire that runs from wing to wing if you'd like her to be bendable.
- Sew the two bodies together with a blanket stitch using two strands of floss – blue along the top blue felt, and white elsewhere floss. This pattern is not stuffed with fiberfill.
- The antennae are black and white striped - if desired with a fine-tip paint pen, add white lines to the antennae.

Have fun! www.downeastthunderfarm.com/2022/03/eastern-tailed-blue/

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