



'Dance fly' (*Empis geneati*) with nuptial 'balloon'
gift made of silk



Male balloon-fly with nuptial 'balloon' gift made of silk



Male balloon-fly (or 'dance-fly') (*Empis snoddyi*)
with nuptial 'balloon' gift made of silk



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Make your own balloon-fly!

All you need is one lolly stick, two long pipe cleaners and three short, a white balloon and a pen!