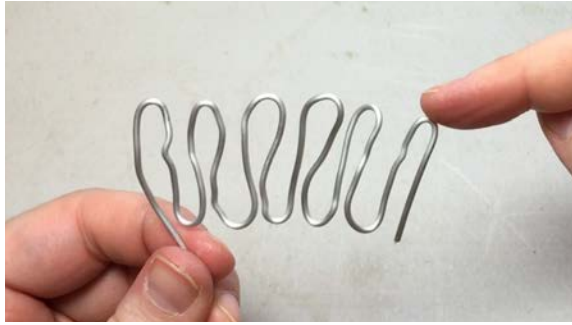
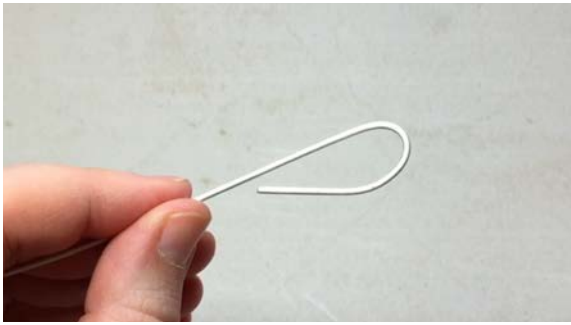


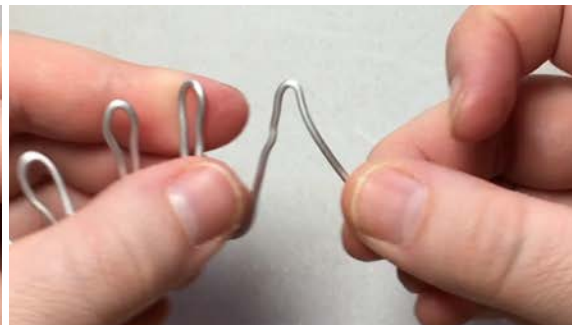
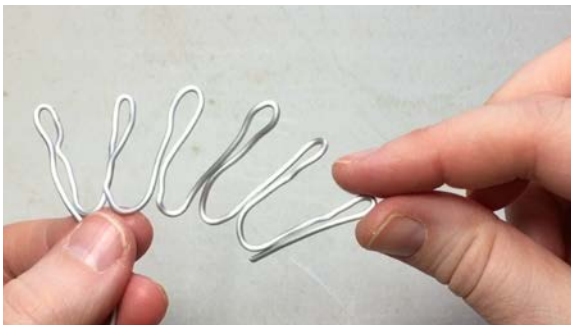
# How to make a 3D wire Tulip

Use 2 lengths of wire for this project.



Bend the end of the wire over as in the image above left.

Next bend the wire back on itself and repeat this process until you have 6 even loops of around 3cm tall each, as in the image above on the right.



Pinch the end of each of the loops - this will help your petals to appear pointed later. Next, pull the loops apart.

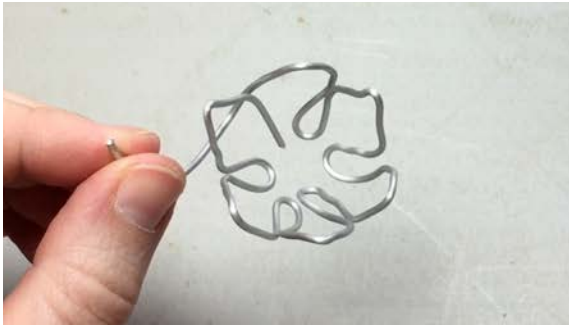


Using your finger as a guide, curve the wire into a petal shape similar to the one in the image above on the right. Repeat this step for all 6 petals.

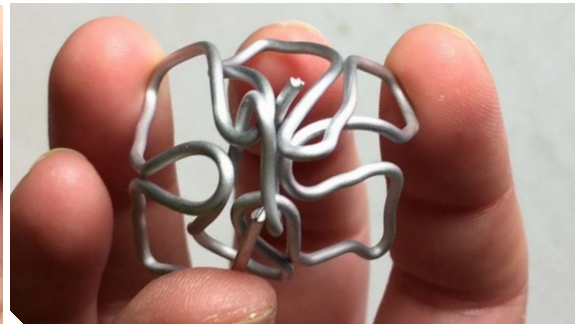


Your wire should now look like the image above on the left.

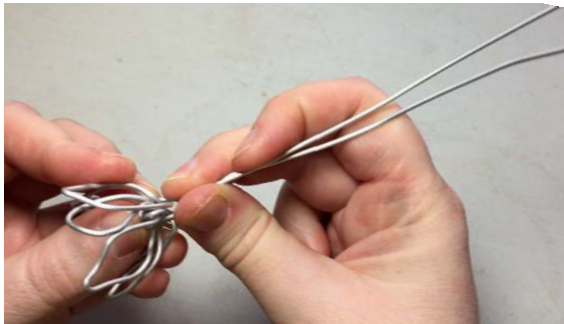
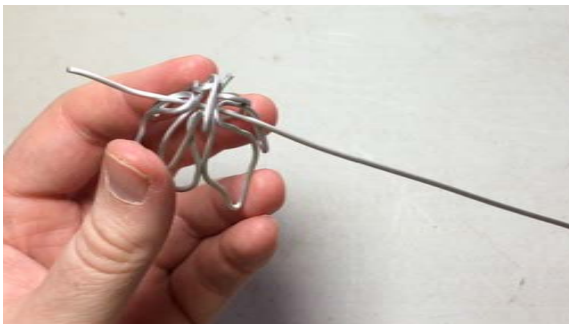
Bend each petal so that they all face upwards instead of outwards.



You should now have a more realistic and 3D looking tulip bud.



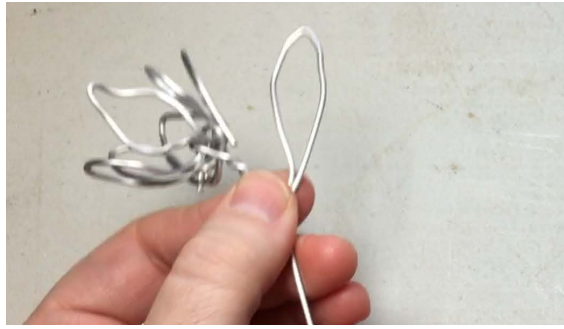
To help secure your tulip, pass the loose end of wire through one or two of the bottom loops of the flower bud.



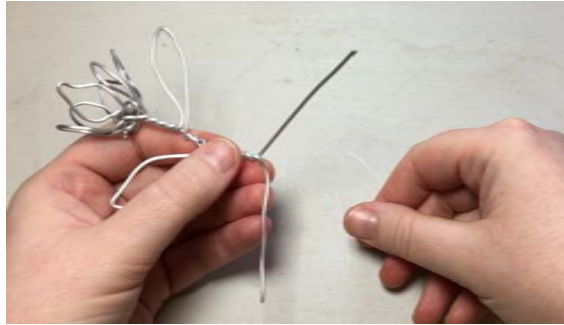
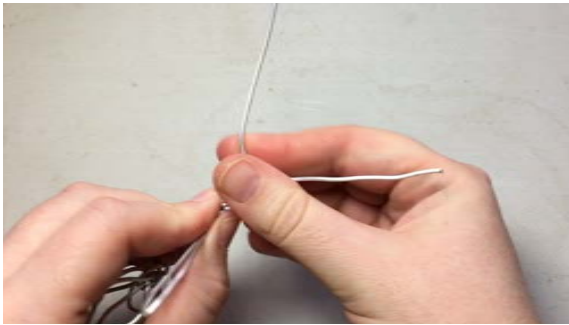
Take the second length of wire and thread it through the loops on the bottom of the bud until the bud is half way along the wire. Bend the new length of wire in half and pinch it at the bend.



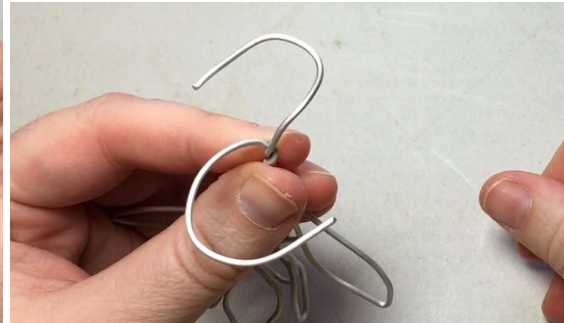
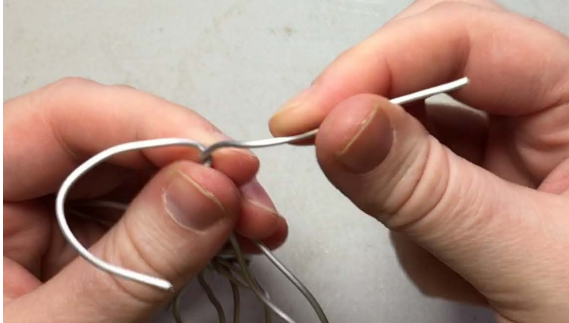
Twist the two lengths of wire together. Make around 4-5 twists. Take one length of wire and bend it upwards.



Bend the wire over the form the first leaf and pinch at the bend. As with the petals, open out the pitched wire and cure the sides to form a leaf shape. Now, Twist the 2 ends of wire together again and make 2 twists to form a stem.



Take the longer of the two wire lengths and repeat the steps above to make another leaf. Then twist the lengths of wire together again to form the stem. Leave some space at the end of the stem to create feet for your tulip.



To create the feet, turn your tulip on its end and curve one of the wires as in the image above on the left. Take the second wire and curve it in the opposite direct so that the wires resemble an 'S' (or backwards 'S') shape.



You should now have a finished tulip that stands up on its own. You can manipulate the wire slightly to make it stand flat and the form the leaf and petal shapes to look how you would like.