Maple trees produce thousands of seeds, or “samaras,” each year. Once they have helicopetered down to the ground, you can repurpose them to be the wings of a dragonfly in this simple craft.

Look for fallen seeds that are already dried out. Be creative and decorate your dragonfly to look as magical as they are in nature. You can even add a small magnet to the back of the dragonfly for display!

Materials needed:

- Glue
- 4 maple tree seeds (“samaras”)
- 1 small twig (3 to 4 inches long)
- Acrylic paint & paint brushes
- Googly eyes
- Glitter glue (optional)
- Magnet (optional)

Directions for assembly:

1. Paint the twig and maple tree seeds
2. Glue on googly eyes and maple tree seeds for wings
3. Add more accents with glitter glue (optional)
4. Attach a magnet if desired

Enjoy your beautiful dragonfly!