

Welcome to my free digital wing tutorial! I will show you an easy way to take a picture of any butterfly wing and make it your own for making beautiful Ooak wings!!

First, select a picture (I usually google pinned or mounted butterfly, or go to .edu entomology sites).

Here is a great specimen to do lower wings from.



Next, crop the wing you want out. I usually only do one at a time, then double up when I am finished.



Next, remove the extra around it, and fix the point where it meets the body. I have also filled in some of the white areas in the cell areas so the color meets the vein.



After that, change some of the spots to suit your individual tastes (or don't), and intensify the color a little. Butterfly wings are richer in color on the backside, and paler on the inside.



Smooth out the edges, add a bit of a texture and deepen the color.



I use color burn (in photoshop) to trace around the edges to give some depth.



Then I lighten the whole wing for a more realistic look. You can stop here if you are looking for a standard Monarch butterfly wing.



I changed this one to my favorite color and started adding my own texture. I just love purple!



Here is what it looks like with the finished texture. Very different from your average butterfly!



Then double it, reverse one side and voila! Your own OOAK wings! Print them, sell them online, use them in your online tutorials and more! Once you change it to your own creation, it is yours to do with whatever you please!



I hope you have enjoyed this tutorial! I have a PDF file for sale on my website of wings I have manipulated in this way to make 200 different wings, with original color schemes and textures from a few patterns of real butterflies you can find in nature.

Thank you for downloading this tutorial, and best of luck in all of your creative endeavors!