



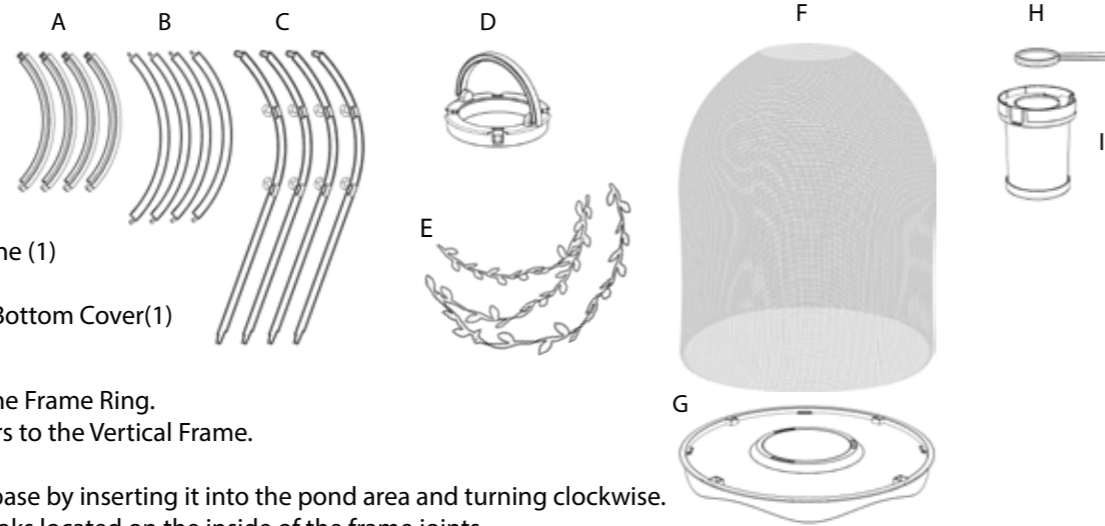
Butterfly Farm

Instructions & Guide

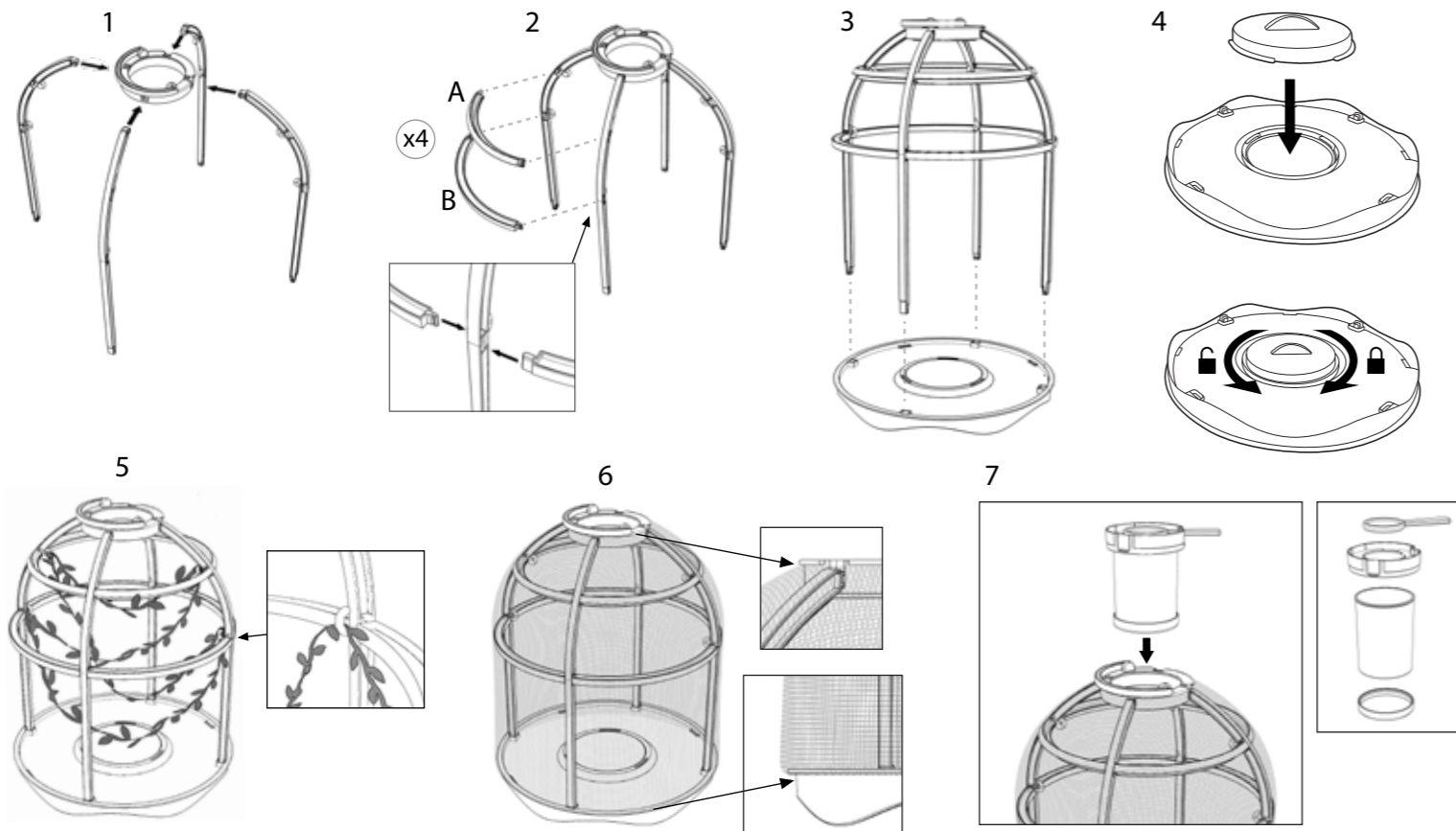
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Setting Up Your Butterfly Farm Habitat - Take out parts as shown

- A. Small Cross-bars (4)
- B. Large Cross-bars (4)
- C. Vertical Frame pieces (4)
- D. Frame Ring with Hang-Handle (1)
- E. Decorative Vine (1)
- F. Dome Shaped Net (1)
- G. Base with Sponge Pad and Printed Scene (1)
- H. Magnifier Lens (1)
- I. Transformation Chamber with Top and Bottom Cover(1)



1. Attach the Vertical Frame Pieces to the Frame Ring.
2. Attach the Small and Large Cross-bars to the Vertical Frame.
3. Attach assembled frame to the Base.
4. Assemble the sponge pad onto the base by inserting it into the pond area and turning clockwise.
5. Drape the Decorative Vine on the hooks located on the inside of the frame joints.
6. Pull the Enclosure Net over the frame with the widest part at the bottom. Secure the net by wrapping the net's elastic around the rim on both the Base and Frame Ring
7. Assemble the Transformation Chamber as shown and plug it into the opening in the Frame Ring



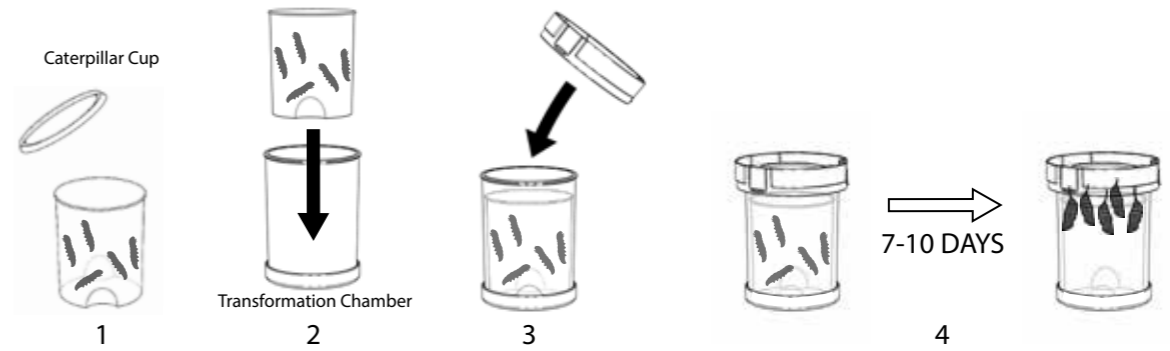
Ordering Your Live Caterpillars Online

Go to basicfun.com/unclemiltonstore to order your live caterpillars. Inside this package is a card with a coupon code that you can use when ordering them. By using this code, you will then only pay for the shipping and handling cost of the caterpillars.

*Delivery of caterpillars may take 2-5 weeks once order is received, weather permitting. Caterpillars are sent only within the continental states of the USA. For customers in other regions, search online or check local pet stores as other ways to get caterpillars. You may even find caterpillars in your own backyard!

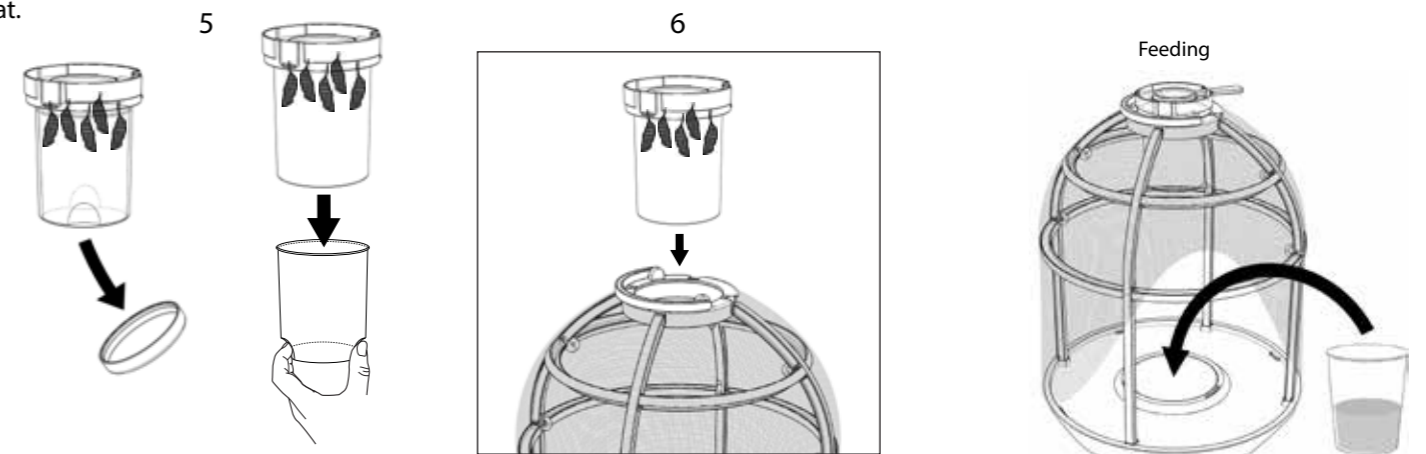
Now you're ready for the arrival of your caterpillars!

Your caterpillars will arrive in a special cardboard mailer that is clearly marked "Live Caterpillars." If you have an outdoor mailbox, take out the mailer immediately. Inside you will find a clear plastic container with 4 to 5 caterpillars inside. The caterpillars you receive from Uncle Milton will later transform into colorful Painted Lady Butterflies. This beautiful butterfly is common to more parts of the world than any other butterfly.



Once you've received your caterpillars in the mail:

1. Remove the Lid from the Caterpillar Cup and discard the lid.
2. Place the Caterpillar Cup all the way into the chamber until it touches the chamber bottom.
3. Make sure all of the caterpillars are inside the cup and reattach the Chamber Lid to the Chamber.
Note: to ensure a safe and undisturbed transition, plug the Chamber into the opening at the Frame Ring. See the image from #7 in the "Setting Up Your Butterfly Farm Habitat" section.
4. Watch over the next 7-10 days as the caterpillars will climb to the top of the chamber, hang upside down and transform into chrysalides. Keep your habitat at normal room temperature (72 to 78 degrees Fahrenheit) and avoid direct sunlight.
5. When all of the caterpillars have formed chrysalides, carefully lift the chamber out of the frame and gently remove the bottom cap. Use the finger grip to remove the Caterpillar Cup from the bottom. Do this slowly to minimize disturbance of the chrysalides.
6. Set the bottom cap to the side and place the Chamber back through the Frame Ring.
Note: when the chrysalides color changes from a golden brown to a dark brown your butterflies are preparing to emerge. Once the chrysalides become butterflies, the opening at the bottom of the chamber will now allow the butterflies to enter the dome habitat.



Preparing and serving food to the Butterflies

- Once the butterflies have emerged from the chrysalides, you can prepare a solution for them to feed from.
1. Mix 1 teaspoon of sugar into 4 ounces of water into a cup.
 2. Cut a small piece of fresh fruit (approximately 1/4 inch thick) of watermelon, banana, or orange.
 3. Carefully lift up one small corner of the habitat net, just enough for your hand to get in without letting the butterflies out, and place the piece of fruit on the sponge in the habitat's pond. Then, pour the sugar water over the fruit into the pond. When all the sugar water is gone from the pond, add some more sugar water. Be careful not to leave too much water in the pond as butterflies may fall into it and have trouble getting back out. You do not need to feed your butterflies more than once per day.

The Birth of a Butterfly

As the color of the chrysalid gets dark, that's a good sign that the butterfly is close to emerging. Watch the chrysalides closely at this stage and you will eventually see the butterfly begin to emerge from the chrysalid until it can spread its wing to become a beautiful butterfly!

Note: Do not be alarmed if you see a red liquid that looks like blood coming from the tail of the butterfly. It is not blood. It is called meconium, and it is leftover coloring from the wing formation along with some excess tissue from the caterpillar.

Also, watch closely when your butterfly feeds. You will see it unfurl its proboscis, which is similar to a tongue, drink the water and then roll the proboscis back up.

Releasing Your Butterflies

Three days after the birth of the butterflies, we recommend releasing them outside into the wild. Butterflies are very capable of adapting to the wild. Be sure to do this during favorable weather conditions when night-time temperatures are above 55 degrees Fahrenheit. Once released, the butterflies can often be seen for several days in the area they were released.

Ready to do it again? Get some more caterpillars and you can enjoy this amazing metamorphosis over and over again!



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