

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AjsP8_IM2-k

Homemade Christmas Ornaments

(Another visual step by step procedure can be found :
http://christmas.newarchaeology.com/make_paper_decorations.php)

"Lacy Paper Star Ornament"

Submitted by Jenny Hudman of NY



I made a lacy paper star ornament. It's special because it's handmade and I used some old scrapbooking supplies that I haven't used in awhile.

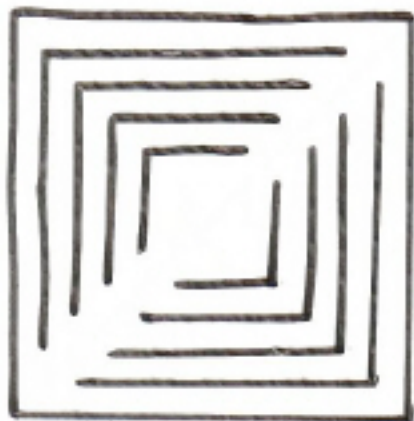
Supplies needed:

double-sided paper
strong adhesive (double-sided tape works best)
exacto knife
cord/ribbon
glitter

Directions:

Trace the pattern on the paper & cut out with exacto knife.
Adhere the sides according to the pattern.
Add ribbon/cord to top of star.
Add jewels to the star.

Use the pattern (and instructions) from here:
http://www.craftideas.info/html/christmas_star.html



www.craftideas.info

You will click on the link that says "Paper Star Craft Pattern" and look for this pattern...

Then I added homemade shimmer mist to the star. Shimmer mist can be expensive in craft stores but here's the directions to make your own:

Using 1 small spray bottle add 1/4 teaspoon of Pearl Ex mica powder (I chose silver) to the bottle and then fill with rubbing alcohol shake & spray I know it smells but the alcohol dries so fast & the powder needs something to cling to when it gets sprayed. Super easy & adds a nice glimmer to any paper project.

Project supplies used: Basic Grey paper, Heidi Swapp Jewels, Pearl Ex powder (from Stampin' Up or at craft stores), Glue Dots, & Stampin Up silver cord & Dazzling

Five Tree Star

Material: Five 1-inch Christmas trees with round plastic base (available at Wal-mart), glue gun, thin Christmas colored ribbon, small gold leaves or any frontal decoration.

Instructions: 1) glue together bases of trees to form a star shape, 2) glue decoration on front of star, 3) add ribbon to hang and to make a small bow. Easily a 10 minute project!



Star Song Ornaments



These glittery paper-covered foam stars will make your tree 'sing'. Make extra stars to tie on packages hang in windows decorate the mantel or embellish a wreath.

Completion Time - 1 hour each

Designer - Rebekah Meier

STYROFOAM™ Brand Foam

Stars: 9" x 1"; two 4" x 1/2"; 6" x 1/2"

Other Materials

Paper: sheet music; white card stock, 8-1/2" x 11", four sheets
Fine silver glitter
Silver eyelet

Tools Needed

Metallic silver ribbon: 1/8" x 3/8 yd.; 1/2" x 2-1/2 yds.

Tools:

Pencil

Ruler

Medium flat paintbrush

Water basin

Paper towels

Scissors

Low-temp glue gun and glue sticks

Thick, white craft glue

Photocopier

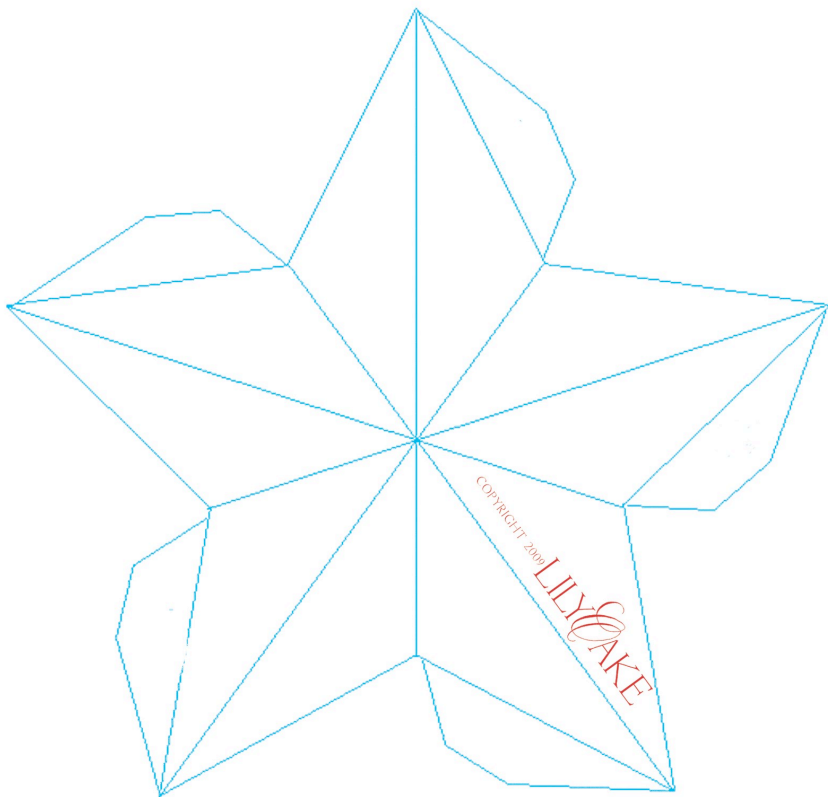
Instructions

Triple Layer Star -

1. Photocopy sheet music onto two pieces of card stock. Trace 9" and 6" foam stars onto separate sheets. Use pinking scissors to cut out stars 1/8" beyond traced lines.
2. Use white glue to adhere 1/2"-wide ribbon around edges of 6" and one 4" foam star. Apply generous layer of glue to 4" star and sprinkle with glitter; let dry.
3. Glue glittered star to 6" paper star and paper star to 6" foam star. Glue 6" foam star to largest paper star.
4. Set eyelet in star tip. Thread 1/8" ribbon through eyelet; knot ends for hanging loop.

Double Layer Star

- 5 1. Photocopy sheet music onto two pieces of card stock. Trace 9" foam star onto each sheet; cut out and glue paper pieces to front and back of foam star.
- 6 2. Apply generous layer of glue to 4" foam star and sprinkle with glitter; let dry. Glue 1/2"-wide ribbon around star edges. Glue small star to center of large star.
- 7 3. Cut several 1"-wide strips from remaining card stock. Glue strips around foam edge, piecing strips as needed to cover foam.
- 8 4. Apply thin line of glue around front edge of 9" star and sprinkle with glitter; shake off excess. Repeat as needed. Let dry completely.



Merry Christmas everyone! I have at last produced the 3D star template for you to download and create with.

I made mine with a blue toile pattern on paper cardstock - choose any pattern you like and decorate any way you choose. I scanned a piece of wrapping paper, colorized it in Photoshop and reprinted it on to my choice of paper. In this case I used Conqueror's Diamond White 80# card stock. It is a clean white, smooth surface to show off colors and the paper folds and creases without cracking or splitting. You can buy reams of this paper at The Paper Zone. I kept my stars simple with some white glitter edges and rhinestones on each star tip and in the center. The pattern/template needs to be copied on to the back of your paper because it involves quite a few score lines. Where the score lines follow to the tip of each star point, these get folded as mountain folds (when the fold sticks skyward) and the scores between the points get folded valley-style (dipping in). Follow my photos for reference if you get confused.

Enlarge/reduce the template on the copier to suit the size you desire. The tabs get folded inward and glued to the inside of the other piece. You will have to cut 2 pieces to complete one star so it has a front and a back. I also used a thin white silk ribbon embroidery ribbon to hang the star but you can use any kind of ribbon or even metallic thread. If you do not choose to hang them, but perhaps display them in a dish, etc., don't use anything. Enjoy and have a wonderful holiday season. As soon as I change out of my jammies, I'm off to a party at a friend's house and I intend to take these stars as a gift for her tree.

Star in a Star ornament

Materials Needed:

Small amount Knit-Cro-Sheen in or size 10 crochet cotton in Cream.

Size 7 Steel crochet hook

Stiffener of choice.

Thread Thickness: 10thread

Gauge: 10sc = 1"

Finished Size: = 3½"

Skill Level: Easy

Special Stitch Used

Cluster (cl)

You will be working over 3 dc to complete this stitch.

Yo, insert hook in first st indicated. Draw up a lp, yo and

draw through 2 lps on hook. * Yo, Insert hook in next st.

Draw up a lp, yo and draw through 2 lps on hook. Rep

from * one more time. yo and draw through all 4 lps on

hook



Instructions

RND 1: Ch4. Join w/slst to first ch to form ring. Ch3. 2dc in ring. Ch1. *3dc in ring. Ch1. Rep from * 3 more times. So you have a total of 5 3dc groups. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 2: Ch2. Yo, insert hook in next dc, draw up a lp, yo and draw through 2 lps on hook, yo, insert hook in next dc, yo and draw through 2 lps on hook, yo and draw through all lps on hook. Ch 10. Slst in 6th ch from hook. Ch4. *Cl on the next 3dc. Ch 10. Slst in 6th ch from hook. Ch4. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch2.

RND 3: Ch6. Dc in same st as slst. Ch3. 3dc, ch3, 3dc in next ch6 lp (shell made). Ch3. *Dc, ch3, dc in top of cl. Ch3. Shell in next ch6 lp. Ch3. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to 3rd ch of ch6.

RND 4: Slst to the 2nd ch. Sc in in ch3 sp. Ch 5. Work the foll in next shell. (Dc, ch3, dc, ch5, dc, ch3, dc.) Ch5. *Sk next ch3 sp. Sc in n ext ch3 sp. Ch5. Work the foll in next shell. (Dc, ch3, dc, ch5, dc, ch3, dc.) Ch5. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to first sc. Fasten off and weave all ends into work.

Stiffen your star then attach a hanger to one of the points.

You will need the following items to stiffen your star.

Stiffener of choice.

Small plastic or glass dish

Rust Proof Pins

Waxed Paper

Drying board. See below for suggested boards.

Dip your pieces to be stiffened in the solution and lay them out on a waxed paper covered board that you can put pins into. Insert pins into the project such as a snowflake and shape as needed until you reach the desired look. Make sure to pin every point down that needs it. Allow to dry.

Shimmer and Shine Star Ornament

Decorate your home well past the holidays. Invite your guests to take one as they leave.

Skill Level: Beginner

Time to Complete: 30 minutes

Tools Needed:

12" x 18" Self-Healing Rotary Mat (RM-CG)

7" Stainless Steel Scissors (SCS-2)

Rotary Circle Cutter (CMP-3)

Materials Needed:

Scraps of hand dyed wool, felt, or fabric

Metallic thread

Embroidery floss

Two small buttons

Fibers and ribbon

Cotton stuffing

Basic sewing supplies

Instructions

1. With the circle cutter, from fabric, cut two 3" circles.
2. Cut two 2" circles from contrasting or matching fabric.
3. Trace a 1" star cookie cutter on to paper to make a template. Cut out two stars from the same fabric as the 3" circle.
4. Pin the star on to a 2" circle and stitch with a whip stitch to hold in place. Use one strand of metallic thread. Repeat for the second side.
5. Center the 2" circle with the star on the 3" circle. Whip stitch with one strand of metallic thread. Repeat for the second circle.
6. Pin the two circles together. Blanket stitch the ornament together with one strand of metallic thread and one strand of floss. Hide all knots inside so they don't show.
7. Before completing the circle, stuff lightly with cotton stuffing and then, continue stitching the ornament closed.
8. Stitch a button to each side of the ornament, going through the center and pulling slightly to indent. Use a long needle and metallic thread.



9. Cut six strands of metallic thread 8" long. Thread on to a large needle and stitch through to top to form a hanger. Knot the ends.

10 Tie various lengths of ribbon and fibers close to where the hanger is attached to the ornament. Spritz with spray glitter if desired.

Video online:



<http://www.squidoo.com/how-to-crochet-stars#module124506831>

Small Crochet Star



Crochet Abbreviations

SL ST = Slip Stitch
SC = Single Crochet
HDC = Half Double Crochet
EA = Each
Beg = Beginning
CH = Chain

Pattern by Teresa Richardson

Video Tutorial: [Crochet Star - Small](#)

CH 4, join

Round 1: Ch 1, *2 SC, CH 2 from * 4 times, 2 SC, CH 1, HDC in BEG SC.(There will be a total of, 5 sets of 2 SC CH 2)

Round 2: CH 1, 2 SC in loop, SK over the next 2 SC. *In the next CH 2 loop do, 2 SC CH 2, 2 SC, SK over the next 2 SC(this is the decrease). repeat from * 4 times. 2 SC in the beginning CH 2 SP. CH 1, HDC in BEG SC. This will end in the center point of the star.

Round 3: CH 1, 2 SC in the same loop, 1 SC in the next st, SK the next 2 SC(this is the center decrease), SC in the next SC, *2 SC, CH 2, 2 SC in the next CH 2 loop. 1 SC in the next st, SK the next 2 SC(this is the center decrease), repeat from * 4 times. 1 SC in the next SC, 2 SC in the beg loop. CH 1, HDC in BEG SC to join.

Round 4: CH 1, 2 SC in the same loop, 1 SC in ea of the next 2 st, SK the next 2 SC (this is the center decrease), 1 SC in ea of the next 2 SC, *2 SC, CH 2, 2 SC in the next CH 2 loop. 1 SC in ea of the next 2 st, SK the next 2 SC (this is the center decrease), repeat from * 4 times. 1 SC in ea of the next 2 SC, 2 SC in the beg loop. CH 2, SL ST to join

CD Star



Instructions

Difficulty: Moderate

- 1 Place the CD on your work surface, advertisement side up. Make sure you are using a CD that has one shiny side. With a CD marker, draw a star across the face of the CD from one side to another. You can draw any type star you want. It doesn't have to be a 5-pointed star. Make sure the points of the star go all the way out to the outer edge of the CD when you are drawing it and that the inner part of each point ends at the inside hole in the center of the CD.
- 2 Begin cutting along the lines of the star to the hole in the center (the hole should stay intact). When you reach the outer edge of the hole after making the two cuts that form the first point of the star, gently twist the piece you are removing off by twisting back and forth. Set the piece aside. Repeat with each point of the star, all the way around the design. Cut slowly and carefully so you don't crack the CD.
- 3 Paint the advertisement side of the CD star with red or green acrylic paint so you don't see the advertising, then let the paint dry completely.
- 4 Let these ornaments hang from the tree branch by gluing two together, shiny side out, with a looped ribbon or thread glued together. If you are putting two together, use the first one as a pattern for the second one so you have a good matched set to glue together.
- 5 To make a star for the top of the tree, put two of the CD stars together, shiny sides out, so you see shiny from both directions on the top of the tree.

Things You'll Need

CD

CD marker

Strong large scissors

Red or green acrylic paint

Foam or sponge craft paintbrush

Red or green ribbon or thread (optional)