Felt tree forest with little house and wooden fir trio

Instructions No. 1505

Difficulty: Beginner

Working time: 2 Hours

Small **felt trees are** a popular project for the Crafting with children. Combined with self-made mini houses and wooden Christmas trees, the result is a magical Christmas decoration that even big hobbyists will love!



Felt tree

First draw the contours of a personal, not too big fir tree on Paper (approx. 12 cm). Use this sketch as an individual template for your craft work. For each fir tree you need 6 cut Felt-fir trees. Cut them with the template from light or green Felt.

The "tree trunk" is always a small branch from the Nature. This has a 4 cm smaller dimension than the desired fir tree length. The base of the fir tree consists of 3 bark discs. These are superimposed with hot glue. In the middle of the bark disks a hole is drilled, the branch is put in here and glued.

Now the Felt-fir trees are glued to each other: The first felt fir tree is provided in the middle with a strip of hot glue and about 4 cm below the top of the tree the branch is now fixed to it
A second tree is provided in the middle with a strip of glue and fixed to the stick from above

The other felt trees are first bent in the middle. Apply glue to the crease edge and glue it in the middle of the tree so that it gradually fills with Felt-green. If fir felt is not positioned correctly, the tree can be trimmed afterwards with handicraft scissors.

Wooden cottages

For the small "wooden houses" simply small house cardboard boxes were painted and pasted.

Most of the walls of the houses are designed with the Chalky technique: for this purpose, they are first primed with dark Chalky paint. After drying, the surfaces are covered with Chalky Wax and after drying again with a light layer of Chalky paint. The typical Chalky look is created in the next step: the dried paint is carefully wiped over the edges and also over the surface with Sandpaper

Combine this style with other effects: Decorate another house with self-adhesive cork paper. The roof of a cardboard house can be covered with golden Coloured paper . And the Leaf metal-effect on the decorative houses looks especially noble: simply apply Gold leaf priming milk , put Leaf metal on and after about 30 minutes "sweep away" the excess metal particles of the leaf metal with a Bristle brushes .

Wooden fir trees - that special something

Complete the designed arrangement of felt trees and house cardboard boxes with real wooden fir trees. This trio can also be embellished with Felt or colour according to your personal taste.

Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
650120-32	VBS Craft felt, 20 x 30 cmGrass green	1
650120-31	VBS Craft felt, 20 x 30 cmLight green	1
614054	VBS Bark discs "Round"	1
755566	VBS Chalky Color "Best of..", set of six (unfortunately sold out)	1
570183-01	VBS Leaf metal, 40 sheetsGold coloured	1
701136	Clay paper block gold/silver matt, DIN A4	1
570176	Kreul Gold leaf priming milk, pasty, 50 ml	1
517003	Sandpaper, set of 6	1
330350	VBS Painting sponges, 3 pieces	1
550932	VBS Stencil brush, set of 3	1