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## GOLD-DIPPED FROSTED REINDEER

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Sheet: 1" x 12" x 36"

#### Other Materials:

FloraCraft® Diamond Dust® or Glass Glitter

Acrylic Paint: Gold

Holiday Ribbon

Sprigs of Fresh Pine

Straight Pins

White Tacky Glue

Cardstock

#### Tools:

FloraCraft® StyroCutter® Plus

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Flat Paint Brush

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated Knife

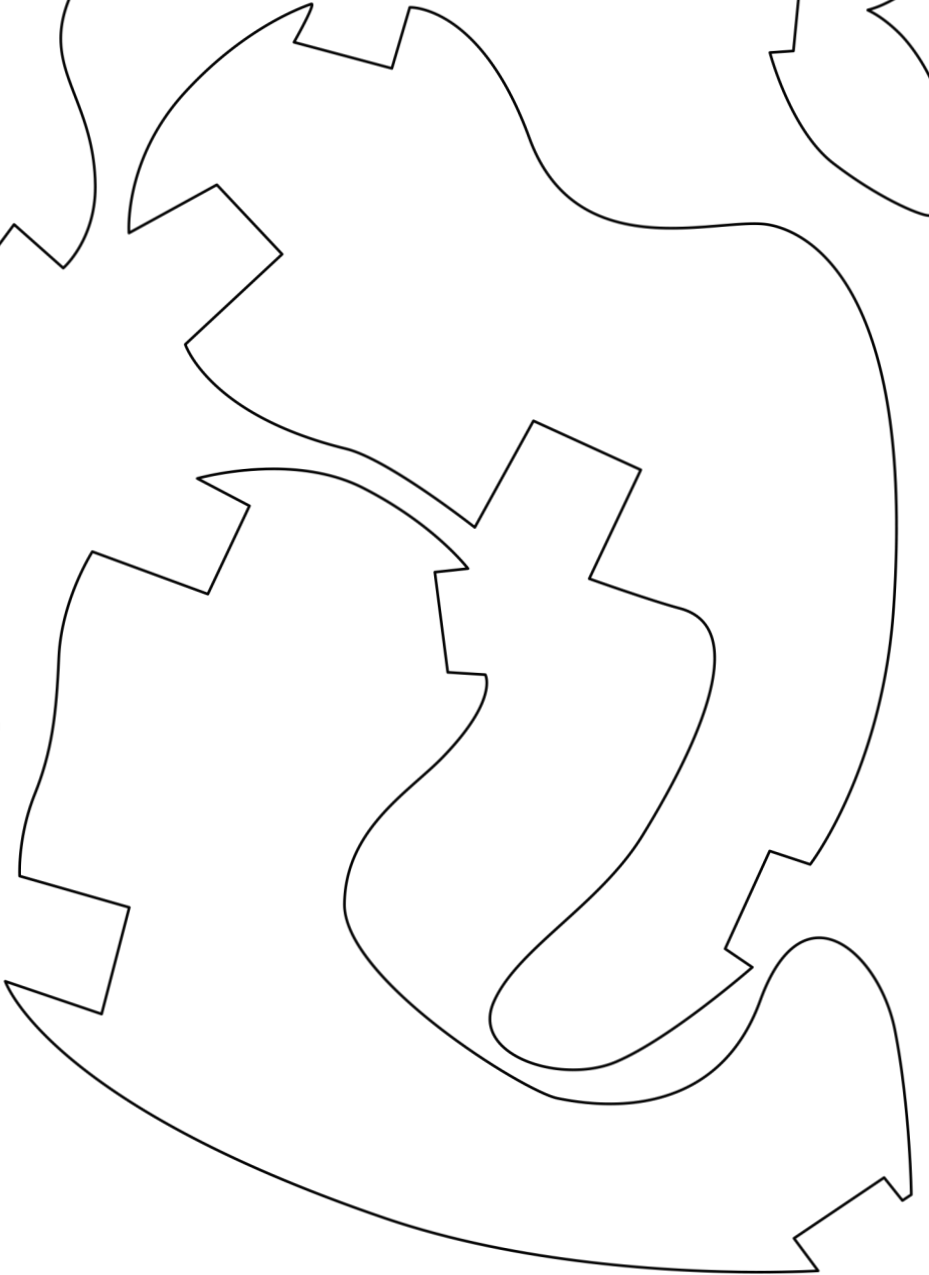
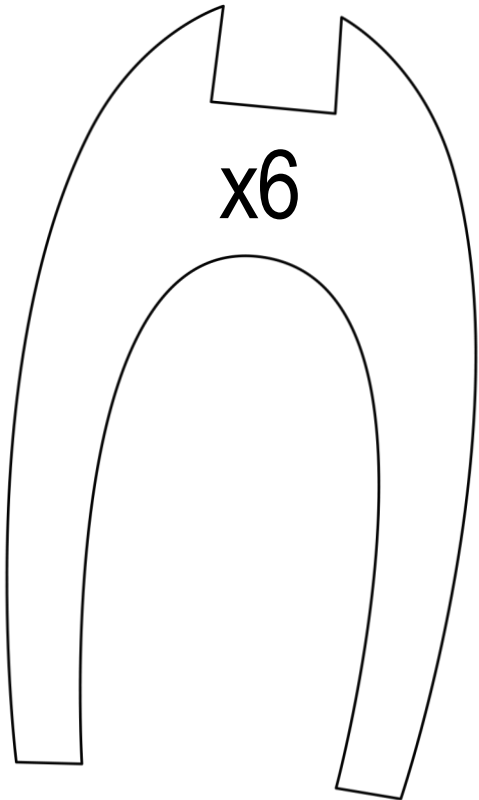
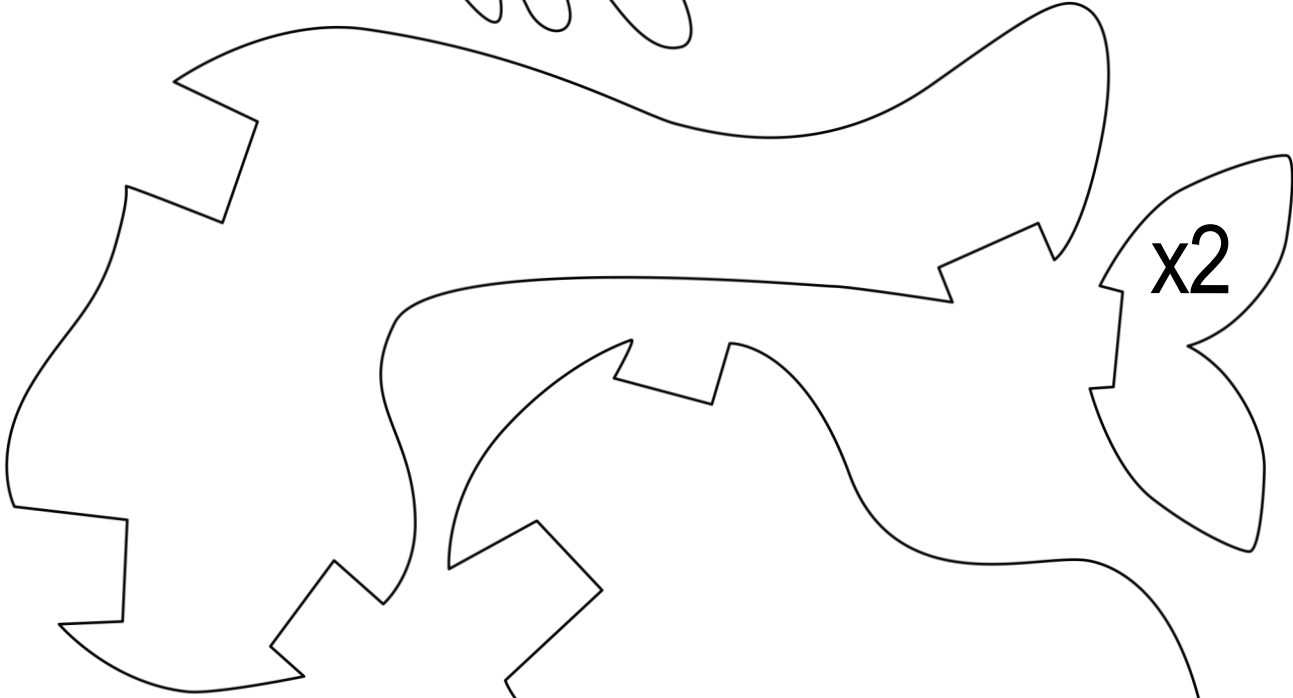
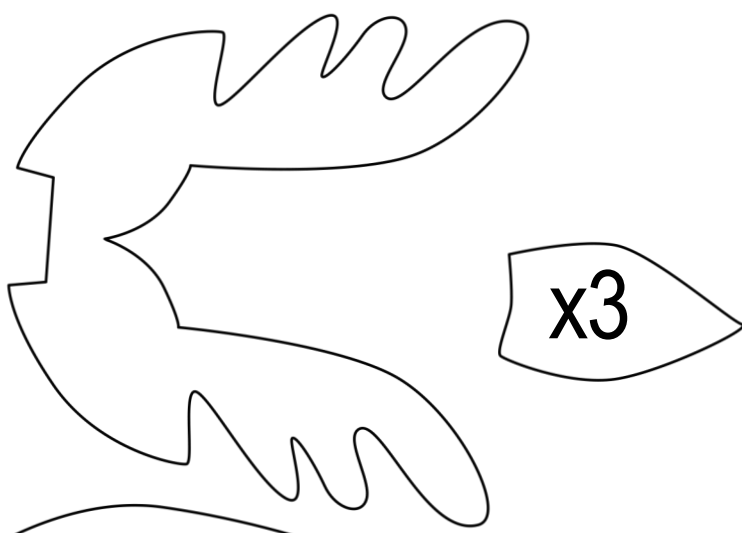
Scissors



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Print templates on cardstock and cut out. Pin the templates to the foam sheet spaced about ¼" apart.
2. Following the package instructions, carefully use the StyroCutter® Plus to cut out the number of pieces indicated on the patterns to create all three deer. Be sure to keep the blade of the cutter at a 90 degree angle to the top surface of the foam for a straight even edge. Use a scrap piece of foam as a sanding block to lightly smooth any uneven edges.
3. Assemble the deer and secure with glue. Brush the deer with a coat of tacky glue and sprinkle with glitter while wet to completely cover. Let dry.
4. Paint the feet of all three deer gold to create the hooves. Tie a small length of ribbon around the necks of each deer and embellish with fresh pine sprigs.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**



## DECORATIVE FRINGE TREES

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make it: Fun® Foam:

Cones: (4) 9" and (4) 6"

Balls: (5) 1"

#### Other Materials:

4" Fringe: (5 Yards) Gold, (4 Yards) White

(1/4 Yard) Gold Lamé Fabric

Acrylic Paint: Gold

Sequin Pins

Fine Gold Glitter

Jumbo Gold Glitter

#### Tools:

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

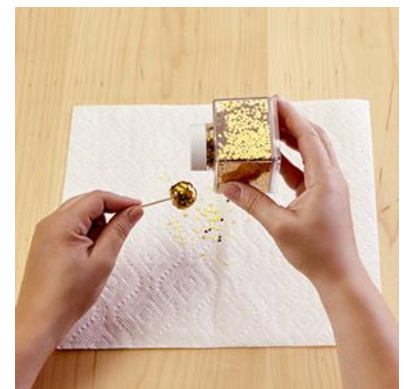
Paint Brush



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. To create the tallest gold tree, cut 3" off the top of a 9" cone using the serrated knife. Cut 3" off the bottom of a second 9" cone. Glue the 6" bottom section of one cone onto the top of the 3" bottom section of the other cone. Glue the 6" top section onto the top of the stacked bottom sections. Glue the 3" top to the top of the tree. (Stack order: 3" bottom, 6" bottom, 6" top, 3" top) Insert a toothpick between the pieces before gluing for a more secure hold. The middle sized gold tree is a 9" cone and the smallest gold tree is a 6" cone.
2. Paint the cones gold and while it is still wet, sprinkle with fine gold glitter. The paint will hold the glitter in place as it dries. Paint three 1" balls gold and sprinkle with jumbo glitter.
3. Starting at the bottom, leaving 3 inches showing, and working to the top of the cones, pin rows of gold fringe trim around the cones evenly spaced. Wrap each row of fringe around the cone three times to cover completely. Glue the gold glittered balls to the top of the three gold trees.
4. To create the tallest white tree, glue a 9" cone on top of a 6" cone. To create the small white tree, cut 1" off the top of a 6" cone for the base and glue a 6" cone on top.
5. Wrap the bottom of the trees with the gold lamé fabric. Trim to fit with scissors and glue in place. Wrap two 1" balls with the lamé fabric and glue to secure in place.
6. Pin rows of white fringe trim to the trees the same way you did the gold trees, leaving the gold bases visible. Glue the 1", lamé-covered balls to the tops of the white trees.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**





## DECORATIVE MESH POINSETTIA

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Disc: 6"x1"  
 Balls: (5) 1.5"

**Other Materials:**

Design It:® Simple Style® 21" Decorative Mesh: Red  
 Design It:® Simple Style® 10" Decorative Mesh: Dark Green  
 Acrylic Paint: Green

Glitter: Green  
 Floral Pins  
 Chenille Stems: Green  
 Floral Stem Wire

**Tools:**

Low-Temp Glue Gun  
 Scissors  
 Paint Brush



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Paint balls green. While they are still wet, sprinkle with green glitter. The paint will hold the glitter in place as it dries. Set aside to dry.
2. Cut a 21" length of red mesh and a 16" length of green mesh. Lay the red mesh on the table with the ends curling up. Lay the green mesh in the center of the red mesh with the ends also curling up. Pull opposite corners of the green mesh to create two points. Pinch the green mesh together at the center and hold in place. Fold in two opposite corners of the red mesh to meet in the center overtop of the green mesh. Pinch the red mesh together at the center with the green mesh and tie together with floral wire. Flip the petal over and bend in half at the center. Insert a pin through the center of the mesh, apply glue to the pin and insert into the side of the foam disc.
3. Repeat step 2 to create four more petals. Attach the petals around the disc evenly spaced.
4. Cut three more 21" lengths of red mesh. Fold in the opposite corners and gather the mesh at the center the same way you did in step 2, only without the green center. Pin these three petals evenly spaced to the face of the disc, about 1" in from the edge.
5. Cut 10" lengths of the green mesh. Gather and bend them in half at the center. Insert a pin through the center and glue in place to the center of the disc.
6. Glue the balls onto 3" lengths of chenille stem. Glue the stems into the center of the foam disc.

Optional: Create a petal out of the green mesh and pin to the outside of the disc to create a leaf.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**



## CONE CHRISTMAS CHARACTERS

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Cones: (3) 6"

Balls: (3) 1.5"

**Other Materials:**

Felt: Green, White, Red, Tan, Light Pink, Black and Orange

Chenille Stems: Black, Brown and Silver

Small Beads: Black

Small Buttons: Black

Small Twigs

Acrylic Paint: White

Small Pompom: White

Toothpicks

**Tools:**

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush

Craft Knife



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Paint two small twigs white for the snowman's arms and set aside to dry.
2. Cut pieces of green, red and white felt to cover the three cones. Cut a 3" circle from the white, pink and tan felt to cover the heads. Cut two 2"x3" pieces from the green and two 3"x3" pieces from the red felt for the arms.
3. Wrap felt around the cones and trim as needed for a perfect fit. Glue the felt in place. Wrap the three balls tightly with the felt circles. Pull and stretch the felt gathering it all to one spot on the ball. Trim excess felt away with scissors and glue to secure.
4. Lay 4" black chenille stems in the center of the small felt pieces and glue the ends together to form sleeves. Glue white felt trim to the red and green cones and sleeves as shown.
5. To create Santa's beard, cut a 2"x3" triangle from white felt. Glue it around the front of Santa's head, about halfway up. Cut a tiny mustache shape and glue it to the beard as shown. Cut a small oval of white felt to cover the back of Santa's head. For the reindeer, cut two ¾" ovals from the tan felt and glue in place for the reindeer ears.
6. To insert the chenille stems for the arms and antlers, you will need to pilot a hole through the felt with a craft knife. Cut a small slit in the felt and glue the chenille stem arms into the foam. Twist a small piece of brown chenille stem onto the tip of a 3" piece of chenille stem for the antlers. Insert the antlers into the top of the reindeer head.
7. Glue small beads in place for eyes on all and for the nose on the reindeer. Cut a small triangle of orange felt for the snowman's nose and glue in place. Cut 14" strips of red felt for the scarves, adding small slits in the ends for fringe. Tie around the neck of the snowman and reindeer.
8. To create the snowman's hat, cut a 1.5" circle, a 1" circle and a 2.5"x1" rectangle from black felt. Glue the ends of the rectangle into a ring and glue the ring to the top of the 1.5" circle. Glue the 1" circle on top of the ring.

Glue the hat onto the snowman's head and the buttons in place as shown.

9. To create Santa's hat, cut a 4" triangle from the red felt and glue into a cone shape. Glue hat to Santa's head. Glue a white pompom to the tip to finish. Cut thin strips of white felt to trim Santa's coat and hat. Cut a thin black felt strip for Santa's belt and trim with a silver chenille stem shaped into a buckle.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**



## FLOWER SNOWMAN

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Balls: 6" and 5"

#### Other Materials:

(2) Large White Mum Bushes

(¼ Yard) Felt: Black

(1-½ Yards) 2" Velvet Ribbon: Green/Gold

Stitching

Small Faux Carrot or Wood Dowel Painted

Orange

1" Half Round Black Eyes

Small Red Berries

Toothpicks

Wooden Dowel

#### Tools:

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated

Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

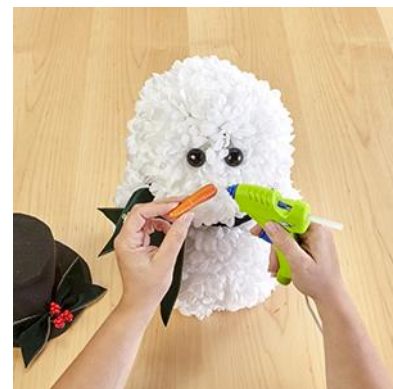
Scissors

Wire Cutters



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Cut a flat spot off the bottom of the 6" ball with the serrated knife. Cut the flowers from the stems leaving about a 1" stem. Glue the flowers side by side around the balls to completely cover. Leave a small bare space at the bottom of the head and the top of the body to connect the two balls together. Also, leave a small bare space at the bottom of the body so the snowman will stand. Insert the wooden dowel into the bottom of the head and glue the other end into the body.
2. Cut a 9" circle, 6" circle and a 16" x 5" rectangle from the black felt. Glue the rectangle ends together into a ring and glue the ring centered on top of the 9" circle. Glue the 6" circle on top of the ring to complete the hat. Tie a small length of ribbon into a knot, then glue the knot and the berries to the hat.
3. Tie the remaining ribbon around the neck for the scarf. Trim the ends into a "V" shape. Glue a toothpick to the backs of the eyes then glue in place on the face. Glue the nose in place below the eyes. Place the hat on the head.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

## FESTIVE FELT CENTERPIECE

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Balls: 1.5", 3", 4" and 6"

**Other Materials:**

Felt: Dark Green, Medium Green, Orange and Red

(2) 3/8" x 12" Wooden Dowels

Acrylic Paint: Red and White

6" Container

1.5" Ribbon: Red/White Stripe

Christmas Print Ribbon

Toothpicks

Small Black Beads

Artificial Snow

**Tools:**

Make It: Fun® Foam Tools

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush

Wire Cutters



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Cut 3" off one of the dowels with wire cutters. Paint the two dowels white and let dry. Paint red stripes on the dowels and set aside to dry.
2. Cut several 1/8" x 2" long strips of red felt for the bird. (They do not need to be the exact size.) Use the tuck tool to tuck the center of each felt strip into the 1.5" ball to completely cover. Glue small beads in place for the bird's eyes and a small triangle of orange felt in place for the beak. Glue 1.5" red/white stripe ribbon around two toothpicks and insert into the bottom of the bird for legs.
3. Cut several 3/4" x 5" strips of dark green felt. Use the tuck tool to tuck the centers of the felt strips into the 4" ball to completely cover. Cut several 1/2" x 4" wide strips of the medium green felt. Tuck the felt strips into the 3" ball to completely cover.
4. Trim the 6" ball to fit snugly inside the container. Glue the shorter dowel into the 3" green felt ball and the other end into the container, slightly angled to the right. Glue the taller dowel into the 4" green felt ball and the other end into the container slightly angled to the left. Glue the bird into the container in front of the trees.
5. Tie Christmas ribbon around the top of the container and fill with artificial snow.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**





## HAND-CARVED PINE TREES

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Sheets: (2) 1"x12"x36"

Discs: (3) 6"

**Other Materials:**

Acrylic Paint: Forest Green, White,

Medium Brown, Dark Brown

Craft Sticks

Cardstock

**Tools:**

FloraCraft® StyroCutter® Plus

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush

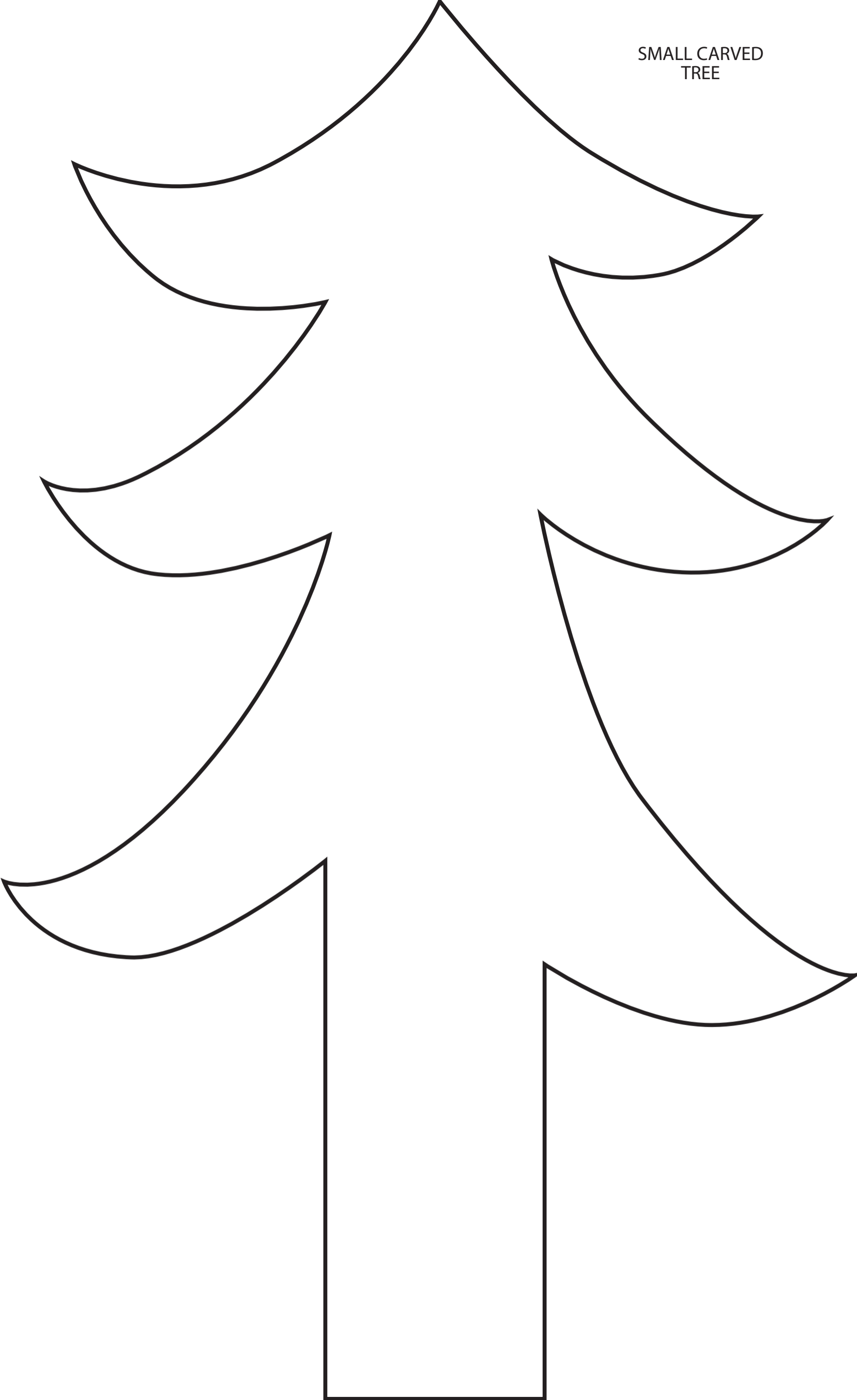


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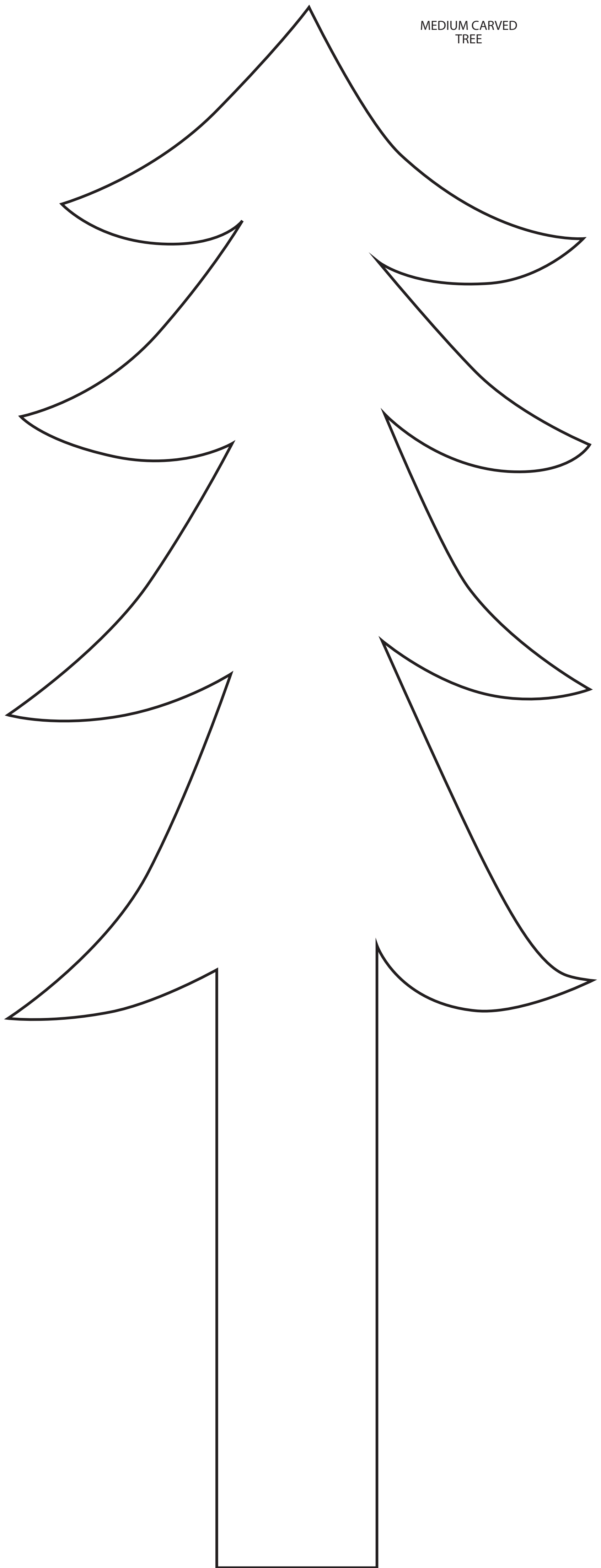
1. Print templates on cardstock and cut out. Pin the templates to the foam sheets and trace with black marker. Cut out the trees using the serrated knife. Following the package instructions, carefully carve ripples in the edges of the tree fronts using the StyroCutter® Plus. This gives a carved wood look to the foam trees. Also carve ripples into the edges of the trunks.
2. Paint the trees green and the trunks medium brown as shown and let dry. To give the trees a snow-covered look, lightly brush white paint over the green, letting the green show through. Repeat over tree trunks with dark brown paint to add dimension.
3. Glue craft sticks into the bottom of the tree trunks leaving 1" sticking out. Glue the other end into the center of the foam discs to display.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

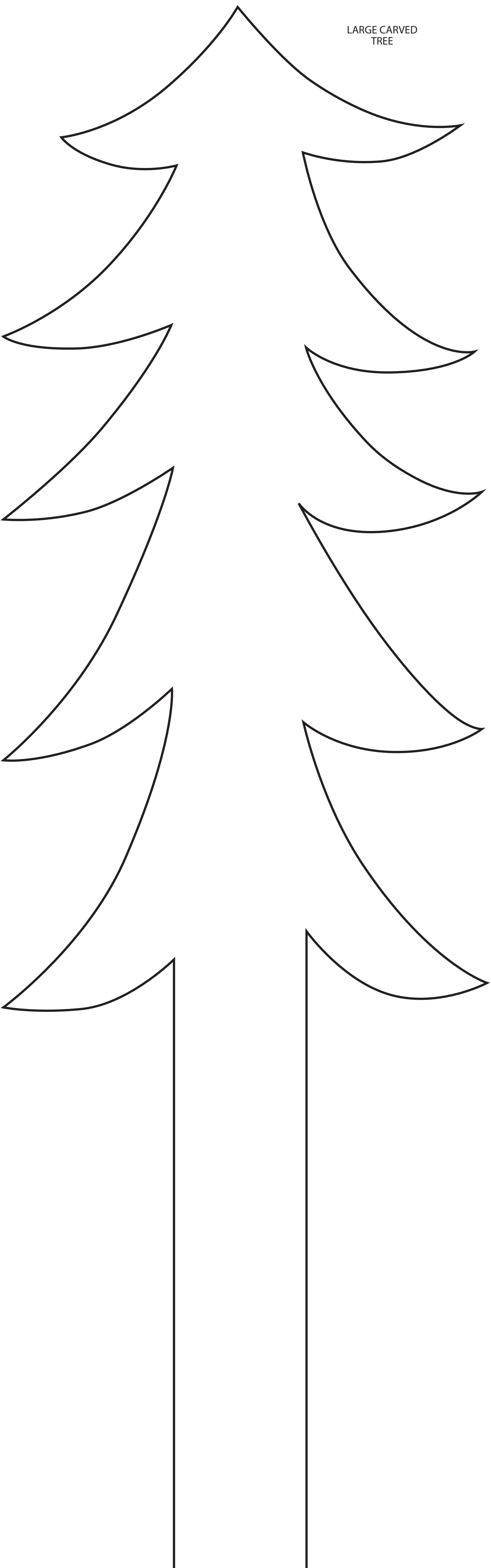
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TREE



MEDIUM CARVED  
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LARGE CARVED  
TREE



## GOLD-DIPPED CUBE ARRANGEMENT

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Cube: 5"

**Other Materials:**

Wrapping Paper: Birch Tree Print

Adhesive Vinyl Gold Metallic

(3) Large Magnolia Stems

Small Pine Branch Sprigs

Small Twigs Bundles

**Tools:**

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Wire Cutters



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Tear 2" strips of birch paper. Glue strips to cover the foam cube, slightly overlapping each strip.
2. Cut a wavy strip of the gold vinyl and stick along the bottom edge of the cube to create a gold-dipped look.
3. Insert the three magnolias into the top of the cube. Glue in the pine sprigs and twigs on each side of the front magnolia. Glue in the magnolia leaves to fill in the arrangement.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

## METALLIC GLAM ORNAMENTS

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Balls: Assorted Sizes

#### Other Materials:

(16 Yards) 6 mm Fused Pearls: White

(4 Yards) 1" Stretch Sequin Trim: Gold

Acrylic Paint: Silver

Jumbo Glitter: Silver

Gloss Finish Decoupage

Straight Pins

Assorted Styles/Sizes Ribbon: Gold, White and Silver

#### Tools:

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush





**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. White Pearl-Wrapped Ornaments: Glue one end of the pearl strand to a foam ball. Begin spiraling the pearl strand around the first glued pearl. Spot-glue the pearls in place as you go. Completely cover the ball and glue the end where you stop.
2. Gold Sequin-Wrapped Ornaments: Cut a strip of sequin trim that will fit all the way around a foam ball and pin in place to divide the ball in half. Cut a second piece of trim to fit around the ball in the opposite direction, dividing the ball in quarters. Now pin lengths of trim to fill in each of the four bare sections on the ball. Tuck the cut edges under the previously pinned trim to hide.
3. Silver Glittered Ornaments: Paint a foam ball with a thick coat of silver acrylic paint. While the ball is still wet, completely cover with jumbo glitter. Let dry completely. Brush a thick coat of decoupage over the glitter. This prevents the glitter from flaking off.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**



## FROZEN SUCCULENT PLANTERS

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Balls: 4", 3" and 2.5"

#### Other Materials:

FloraCraft® Diamond Dust® or Glass Glitter

Design It:® Simple Style® Succulent and Air Plant Picks

Vase Filler Stones: White

Spray Paint Primer: White

Design Master® ColorTex: Flurry

#### Tools:

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Wire Cutters



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Spray the tops of the succulents and air plants with white primer and let dry. Lightly spray the ColorTex Flurry overtop of the white primer. While the ColorTex is still wet, sprinkle with glitter. The paint will secure the glitter in place as it dries. Set aside to dry.
2. Cut a small, flat spot off the top and bottom of the 3" and 2.5" balls and the bottom of the 4" ball. Cut a small, flat spot from the top of the 4" ball at a slight angle.
3. Glue stones side-by-side to cover the balls leaving the flat spots of the balls bare.
4. Arrange the succulents into the tops of the balls as shown.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

## HOLIDAY GNOME WALL ART

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Sheet: 1" x 12" x 18"

Ball: 2.5"

#### Other Materials:

(1/3 Yard) Felt: Grey

(2) 8.5" x 11" Felt Sheets: Cream

Bulky Textured Yarn: Cream, Grey, White  
and Silver

Straight Pins

3/4" Black Half Round Eyes

White Poinsettia Blossom

Chenille Stem

Pompom: Silver

Cardstock

#### Tools:

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated

Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors



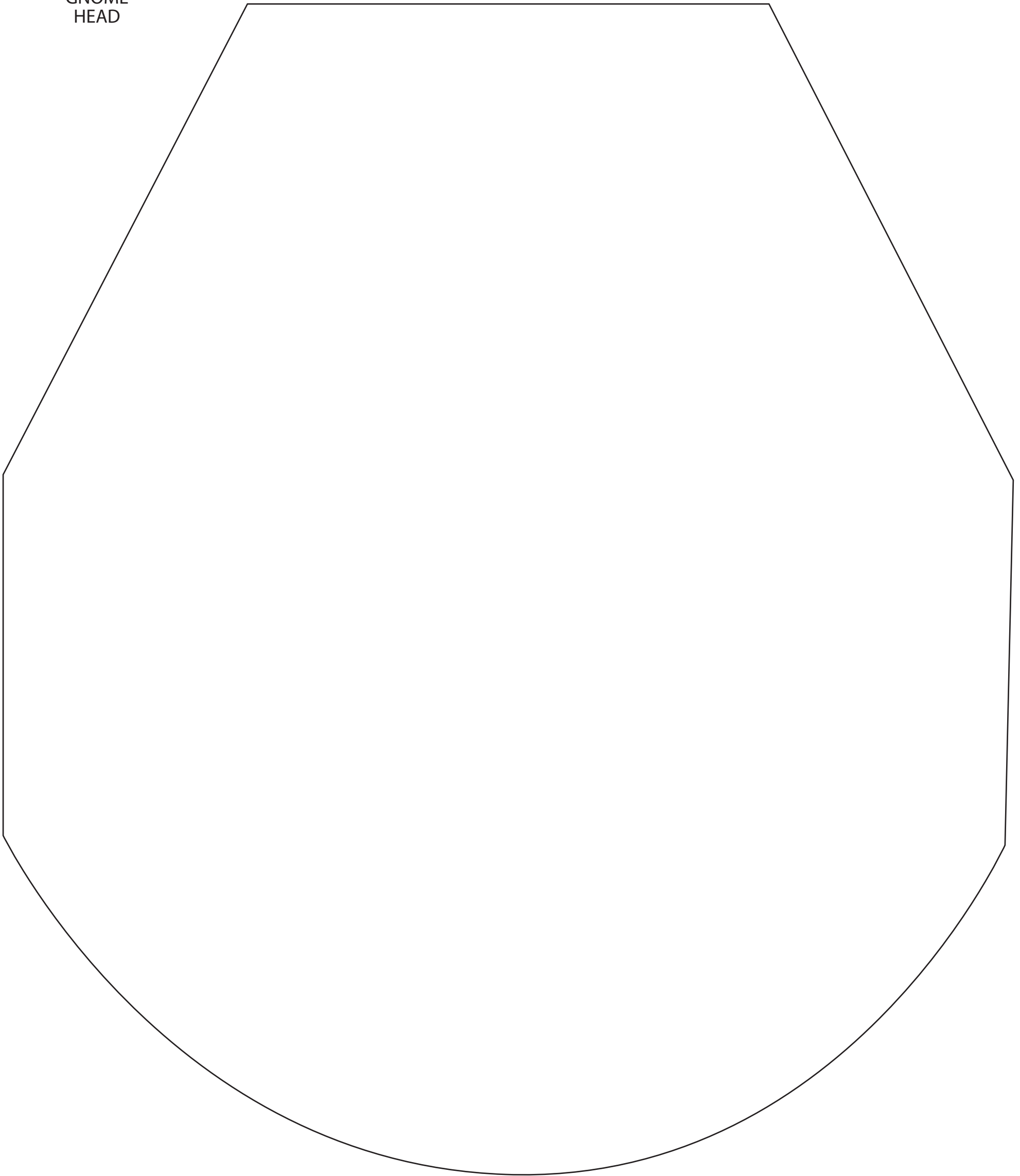
**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Print template on cardstock and cut out. Pin the template to the foam sheet and cut out with the serrated knife.
2. Position an 8.5" x 11" felt sheet to the bottom of the foam sheet as shown. Trim the felt around the bottom of the foam to fit and glue in place. Wrap a 5" circle of felt around the 2.5" ball. Pull and gather the felt to one side of the ball. Trim excess felt away with scissors and glue in place.
3. Glue the eyes centered about 1" down from the top of the felt. Glue the nose just below the eyes.
4. Cut 20" lengths of the cream yarn. Tie four lengths together at one end creating a long tassel. Pin about 24 cream tassels across the face from cheek to cheek, just under the nose. Cut 20" lengths of the grey, silver and white yarn. Mix yarn and tie four strands together to create more tassels. Pin the tassels evenly spaced among the cream tassels to add texture and contrast to the beard.
5. Repeat step 4 to fill in on each side of the eyes and nose.
6. Cut a triangle from the grey felt that is 30" tall and 22" wide at the base. Fold and glue a 1" hem in the base of the triangle. Wrap the base of the triangle around the top of the head, concealing the top of the yarn tassels and felt edge. Pin the hat in place at the back. Spot-glue as you go for a secure hold. Fold the edges together along the top of the hat and glue to form the tall, cone-shaped hat. Glue pompom to the tip of the hat.
7. Twist the chenille stem into a loop and pin it to the back of the head for the hanger. Glue the pin in place for a more secure hold. Pin the poinsettia to the hat to finish.



**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

GNOME  
HEAD



## METALLIC GLITTERED STAR DÉCOR

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Sheet: 1" x 12" x 36"

Discs: (4) 6"

#### Other Materials:

FloraCraft® Diamond Dust® or Glass Glitter

Spray Paint: Rose Gold, Silver, Copper and

Bright Gold

Decoupage

(4) Wooden Dowels

Straight Pins

Toothpicks

Cardstock

#### Tools:

FloraCraft® StyroCutter® Plus

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated

Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Paint Brush

Wire Cutters



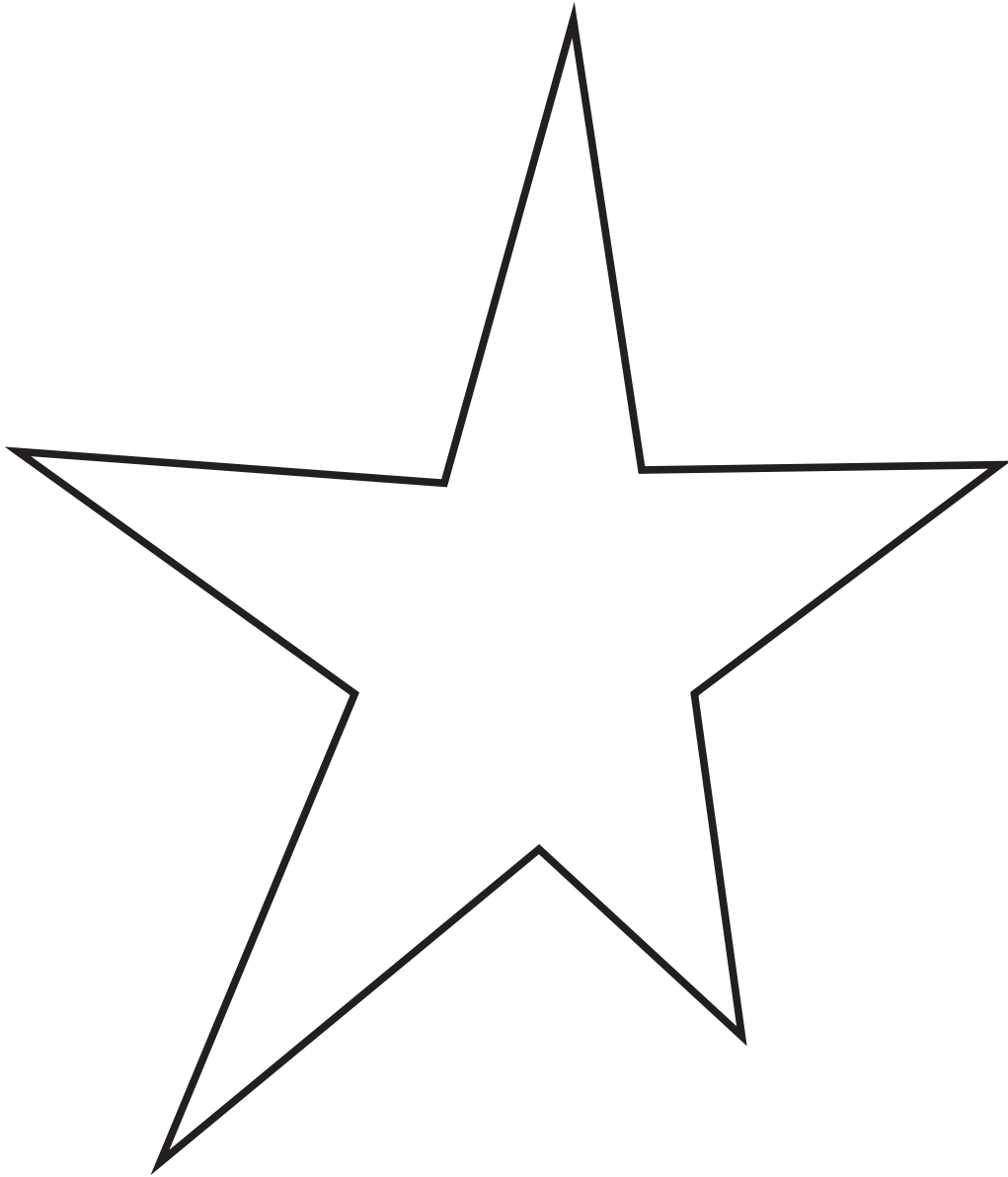
**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Print star templates on cardstock and cut out. Pin templates to the foam sheets. Follow the template to cut the stars from the foam sheet using the serrated knife. Following the package instructions, carefully use the StyroCutter® Plus to cut the smaller stars from the centers. Be sure to keep the blade of the cutter at a 90 degree angle to the foam. Keep a steady pace and do not force the blade through the foam.
2. Brush the stars with a generous amount of decoupage. While the stars are still wet, apply a thick coat of glitter. Prop up on toothpicks to dry.
3. Spray paint the glittered stars in the colors of your choice. Let dry.
4. Cut various lengths of dowels to create stands for some of the stars. Spray paint the dowels a coordinating color and let dry. Glue one end of the dowels into the bottom of the stars and the other end into the discs. Conceal the discs with artificial snow and pine branches in your display.

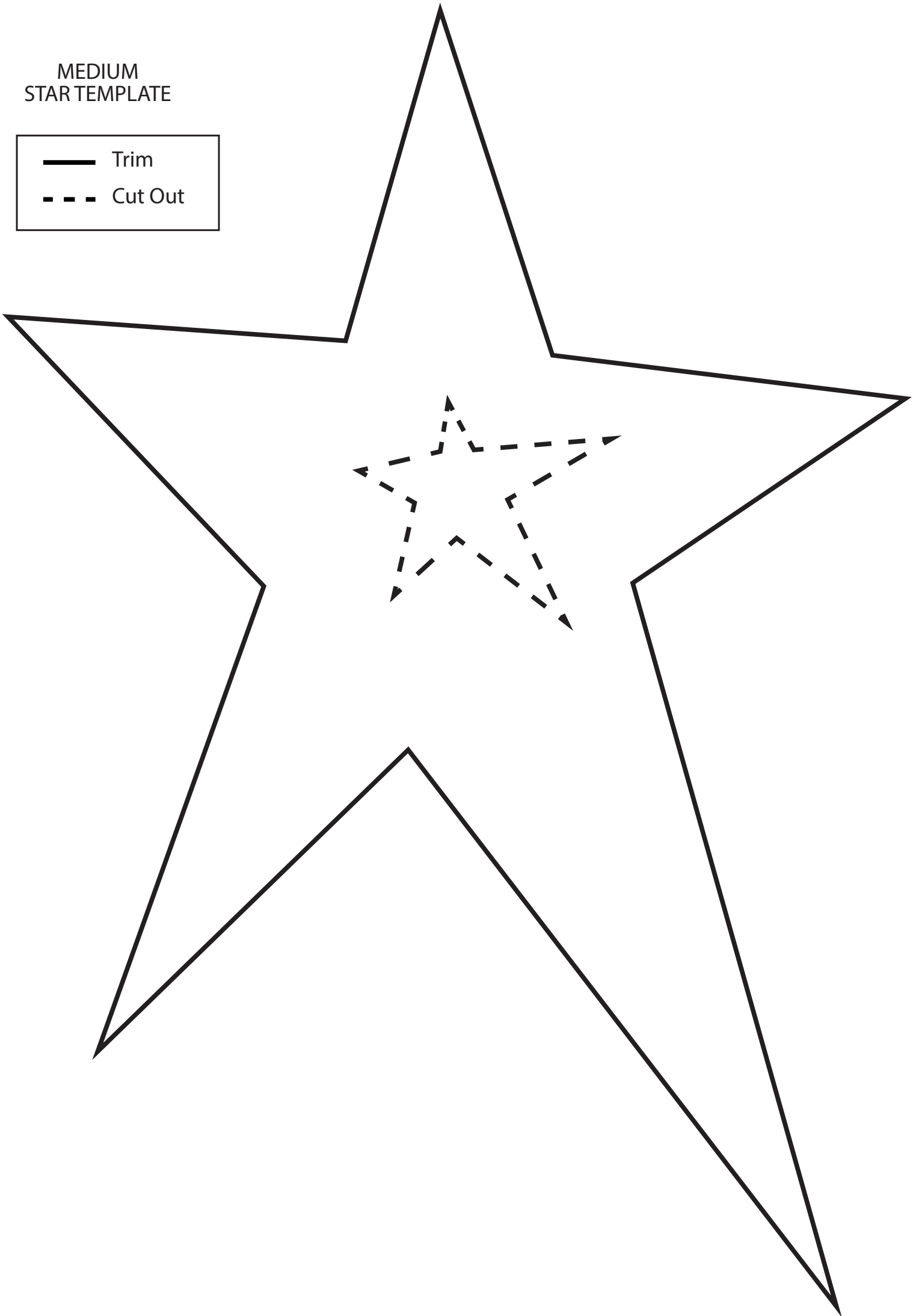
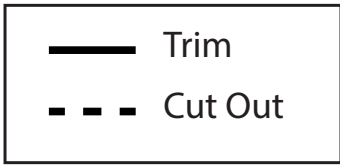
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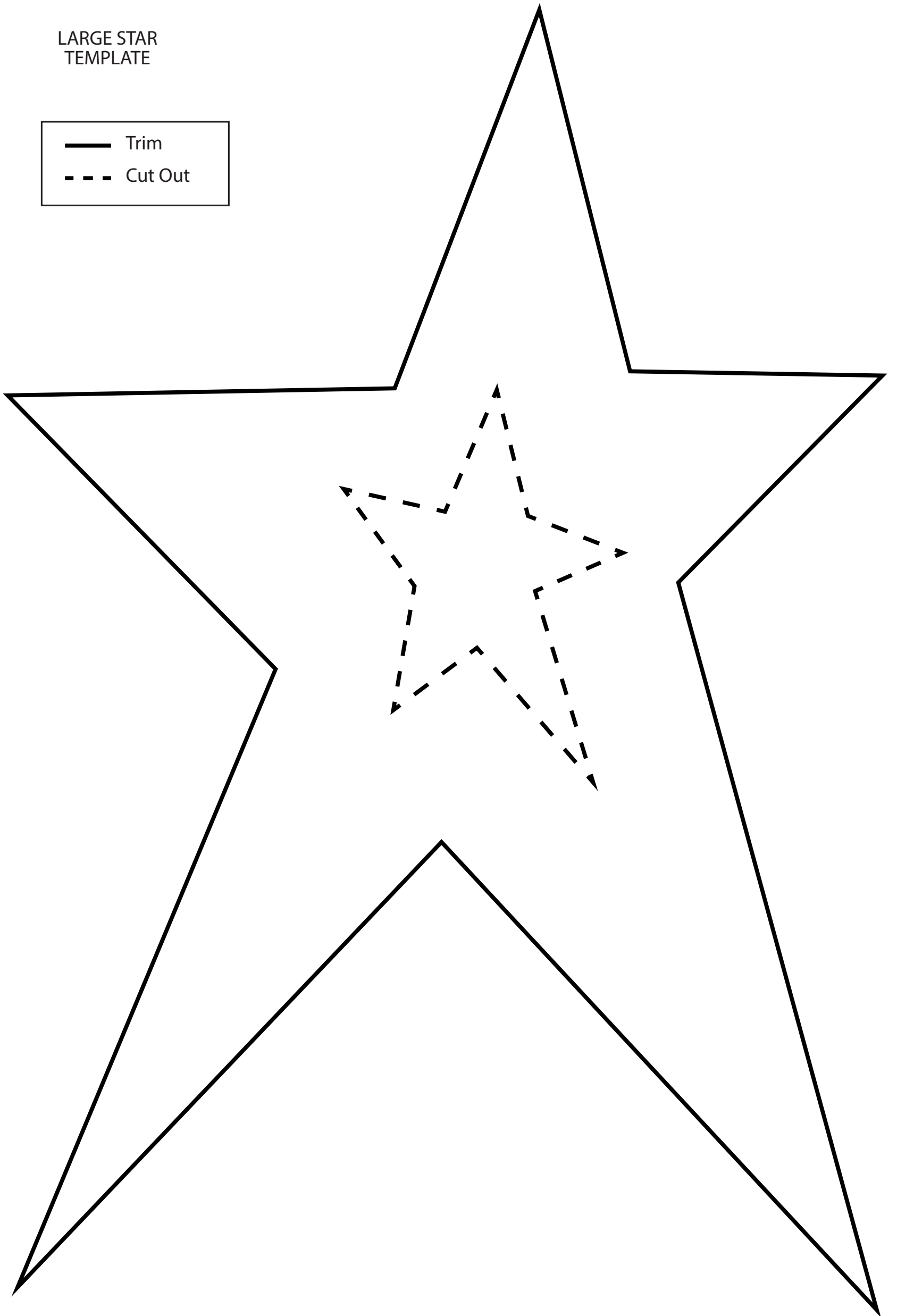
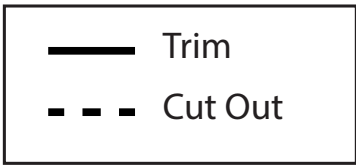
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STAR TEMPLATE



MEDIUM  
STAR TEMPLATE



LARGE STAR  
TEMPLATE



## FAUX GINGERBREAD COOKIE GARLAND

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Sheet: ½" x 12" x 36"

#### Other Materials:

Metal Cookie Cutters: Gingerbread Man, Star and Circle Ornament

Acrylic Paint: Cinnamon Brown

Fabric Paint: White

(3 Yards) ¼" Satin Ribbon: Red

Baker's Twine: Red/White

#### Tools:

Make It: Fun® Foam Tools

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Press the cookie cutter into the foam. Press firmly, making sure to go all the way through the foam sheet. Remove the cutter from the foam and gently press out the foam shape from the cutter. Use the rasp from the tool kit to gently smooth the edges of the shape.
2. Paint foam shapes cinnamon brown and let dry. Insert the tuck tool through the foam shape to create two small slits about  $\frac{1}{2}$ " apart. This is where you will thread the ribbon through the shapes.
3. Decorate the shapes with white fabric paint and let dry. Tie bows around the gingerbread men with baker's twine as shown.
4. Thread the shapes onto the red satin ribbon to hang.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

## METALLIC TIN & TACK HOLIDAY DÉCOR

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Cones: 6" and (2) 12"

Balls: 3" and (2) 4"

Cube: 3"

#### Other Materials:

Tin Foil

Acrylic Paint: Silver

1" Wide Metallic Wired Ribbon: Silver

15mm Square Leather Studs: Silver

15mm Round Jumbo Tacks: Silver

#### Tools:

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

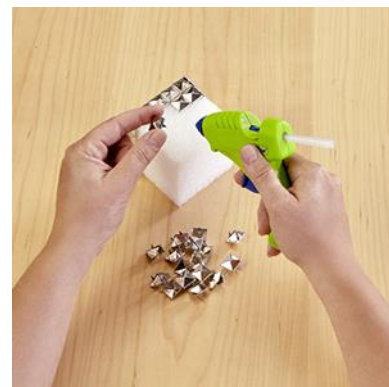
Paint Brush



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Cut pieces of foil to fit around the cones, one 4" ball and the 3" ball. Wrap foam shapes and glue edges of foil to secure in place.
2. Embellish the foil cones and balls with the metallic ribbons, silver studs and thumbtacks.
3. Paint the remaining 4" ball silver and let dry. Insert a toothpick into the ball for a handle while painting. Glue the thumbtacks side by side around the ball to completely cover.
4. Glue the square studs side by side around the cube to completely cover. Bend in the prongs from the studs at the corners of the cube to allow the studs to sit flush against each other.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**



## NOEL WALL ART

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Sheet: 1" x 12" x 36"

Wreath: 12"

**Other Materials:**

Acrylic Paint: White, Red and Orange

(4) 12"x12" Scrapbook Paper: Music Notes

(5 Yards) 1" Satin Ribbon: Red

Faux Cedar Sprigs

Mini Pinecones

Small Black Bead

Straight Pins

Cardstock

**Tools:**

FloraCraft® StyroCutter® Plus

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush

Black Marker





**INSTRUCTIONS:**

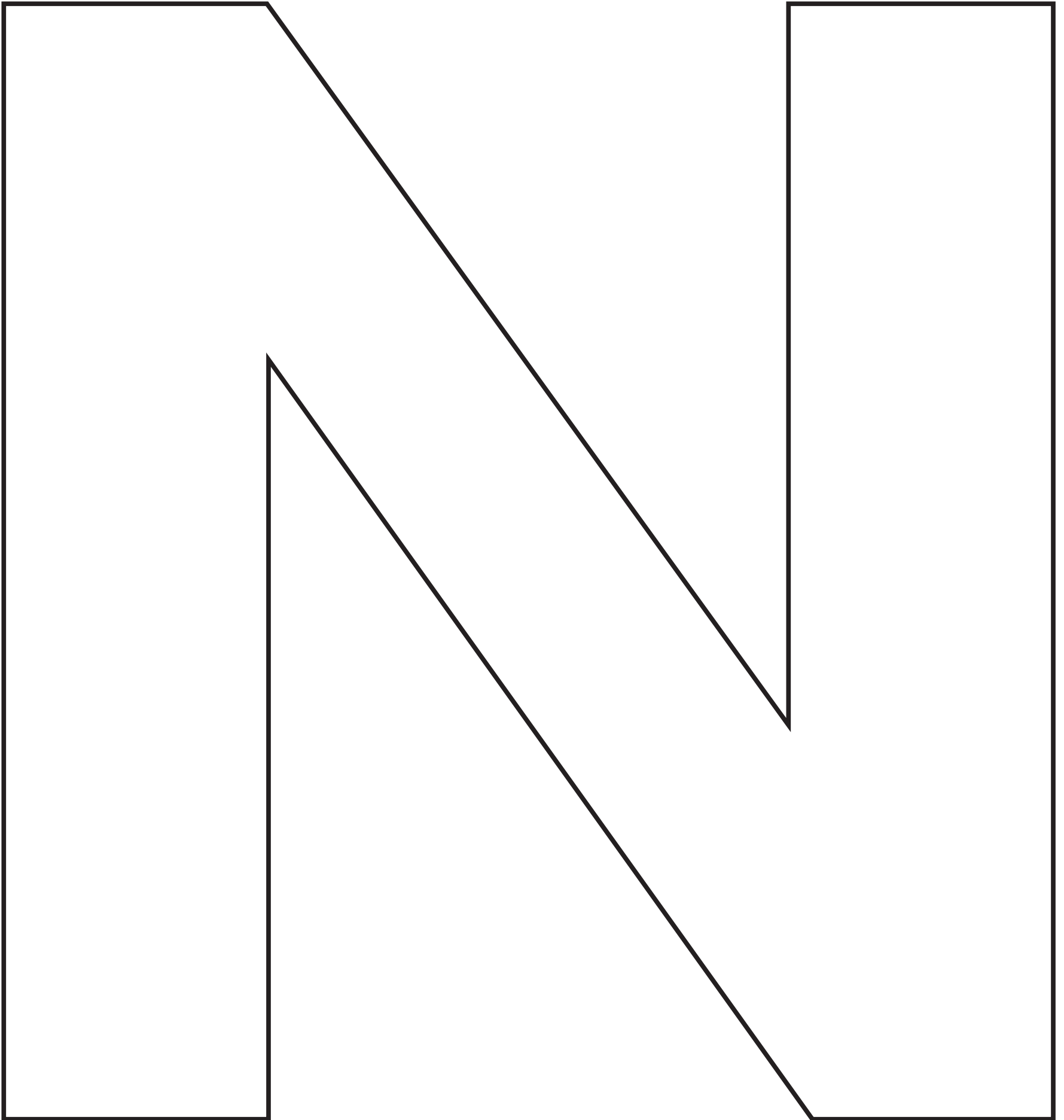
1. Cut the 36" sheet into three 12" squares. Print letter and bird templates onto cardstock and cut out. Pin the templates to the 12" squares. Following the package instructions, carefully cut out the letters from the foam squares using the StyroCutter® Plus. Do not force the blade through the foam and be sure to keep the blade at a 90 degree angle to the foam square to create straight edges on the letters. Remove the templates from the letters.
2. Pin the bird template on a scrap piece of foam and trace with a black marker. Cut out the bird shape with the serrated knife. Use a scrap piece of foam as a sanding block to round the edges of the bird shape.
3. Paint the bird red and the beak orange and let dry. Glue the black bead in place for the eye.
4. Paint the inside edge of the wreath (the letter "O") red and let dry. Paint the inside edges of all the letters red and let dry. Paint the front and outside edges of the wreath and all the letter squares white and let dry.
5. Glue scrapbook paper to the back of the letter squares. Cut the paper to fit the back of the wreath and glue in place. Glue red satin ribbon to the outside edge of all four letters. Embellish the letters by adding cedar sprigs and pinecones with glue. Glue the bird inside the wreath as shown.



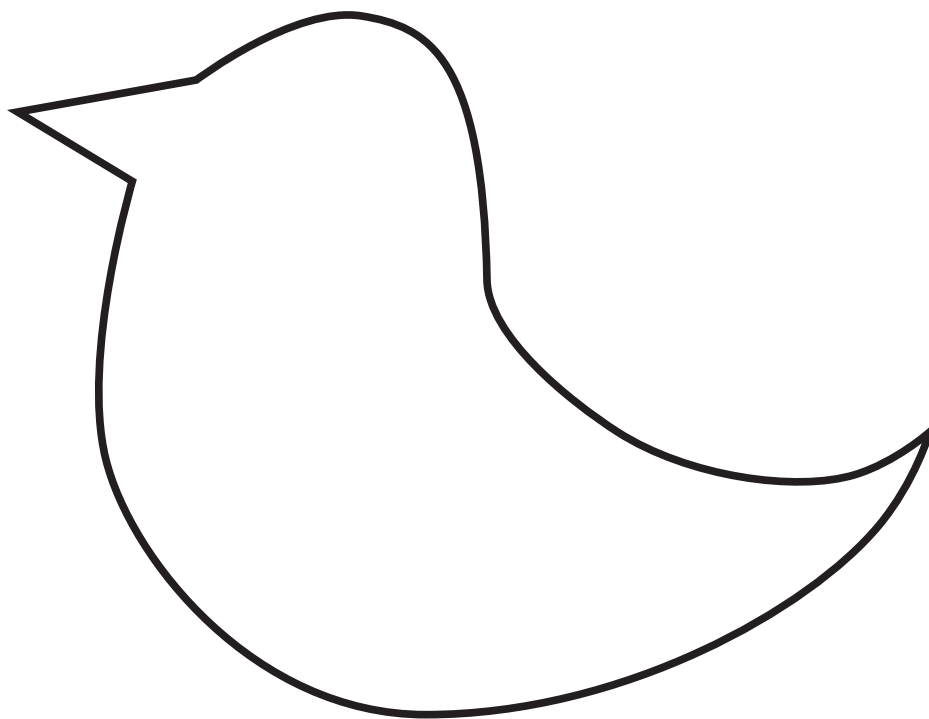
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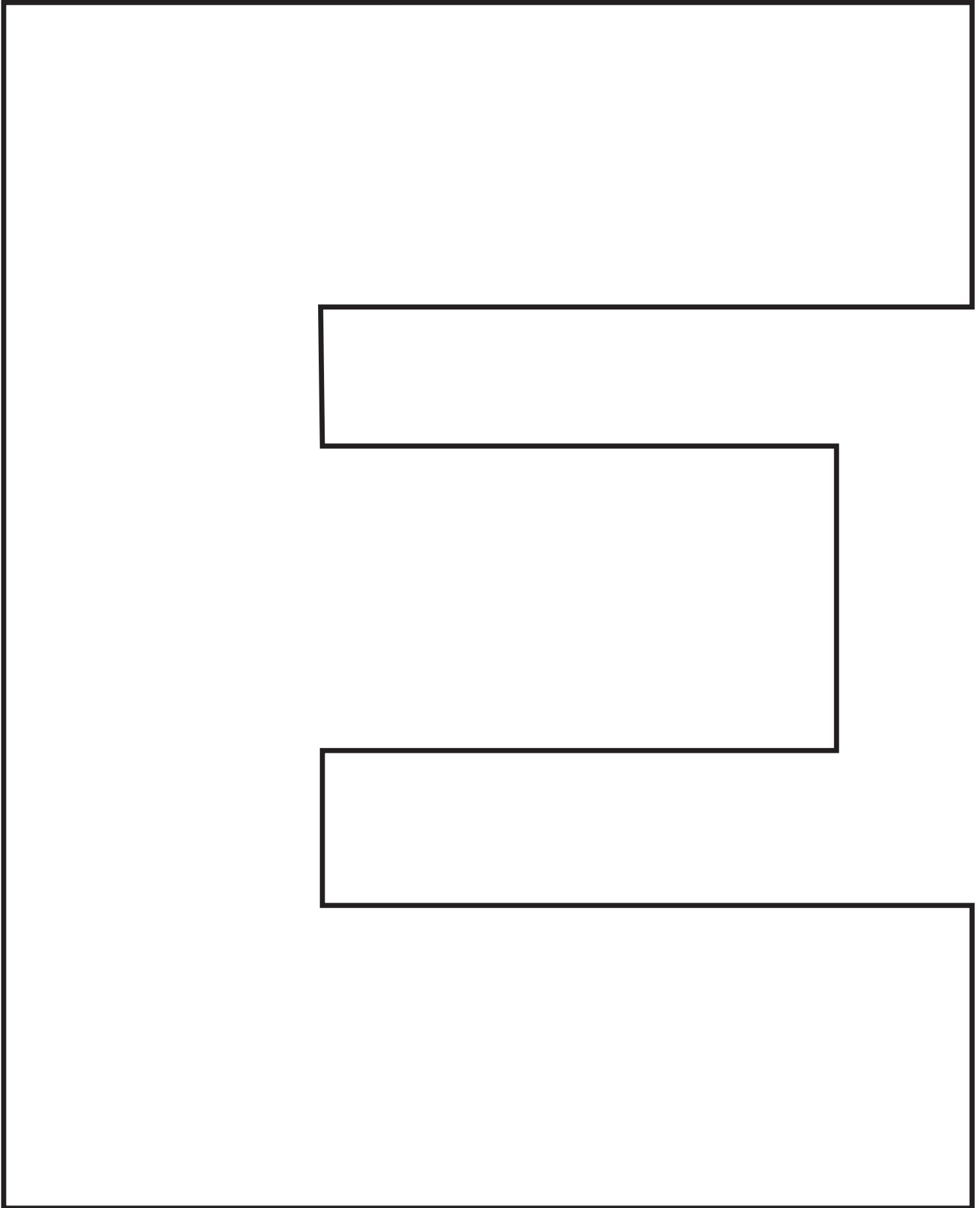
NOEL LETTERS  
(THE "O" IS A  
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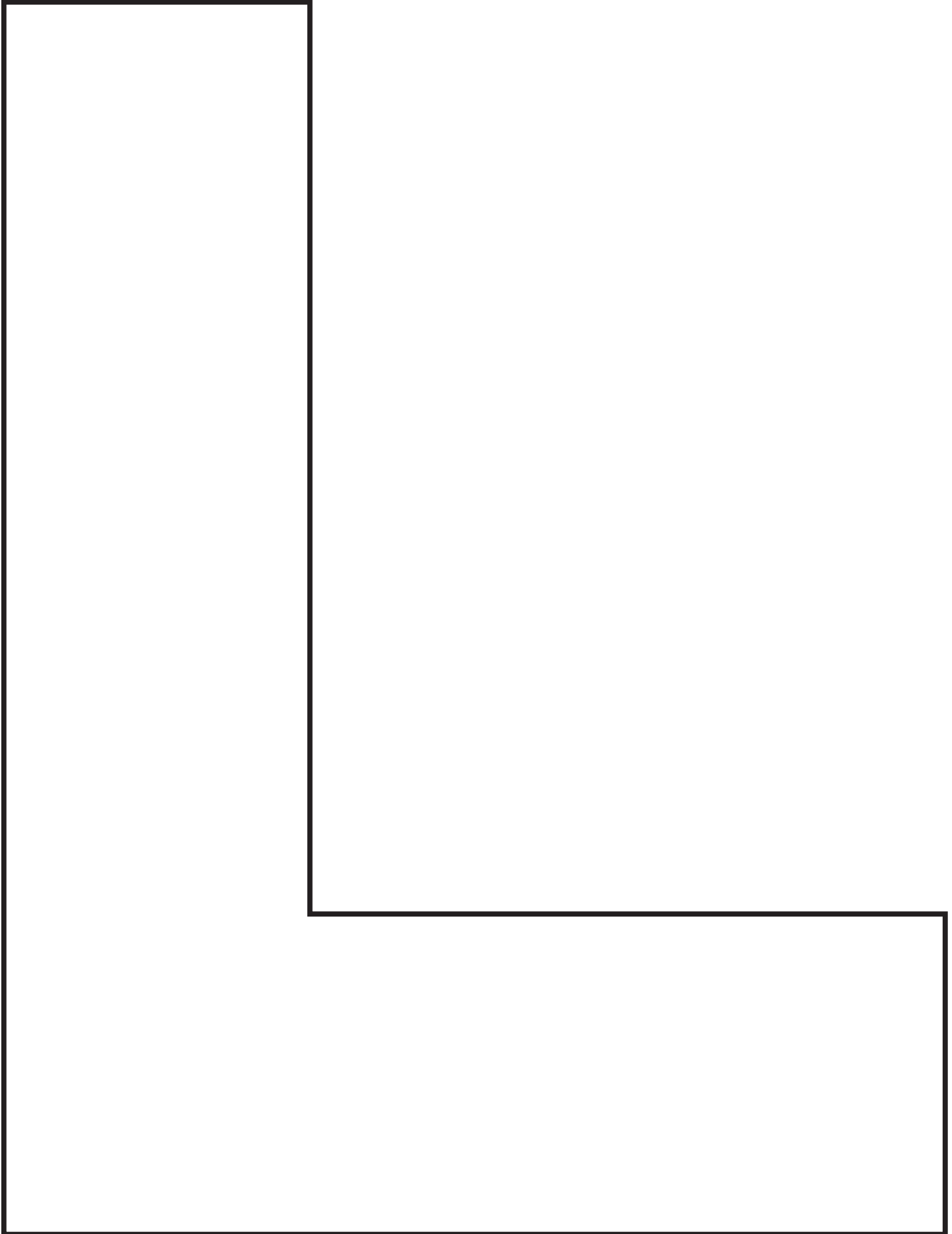
RED BIRD  
TEMPLATE



NOEL LETTERS  
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WREATH)



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## DIY GIFT TAGS

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson



## REINDEER GIFT TAG

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Ball: 2.5"

**Other Materials:**

(2) Craft Paper Gift Tag

Acrylic Paint: Brown

Felt: Brown

2" Wide Christmas Ribbon

Baker's Twine: Red/White

(2) Small Jingle Bells: Red

(4) 3/8" Half Round Black Eyes

(4) Small Twigs

**Tools:**

Make It: Fun® Foam Tools

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Cut the ball in half using the knife from the tool kit. Paint the two halves brown and let dry.
2. Glue the eyes in place as shown. Cut two small twigs for the antlers. Glue the antlers into the top of the head about  $\frac{3}{4}$ " apart. Cut four small ovals from the felt for the ears. Use the tuck tool from the tool kit to tuck the base of the ears into the top of the head just in front of the antlers. Glue the jingle bell in place for the nose.
3. Glue the ribbon around the gift and then glue the reindeer to the ribbon. Tie the gift tag next to the reindeer with twine.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**



## SNOWMAN GIFT TAG

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Balls: 2" and 1.5"

#### Other Materials:

(2) Craft Paper Gift Tags

Fabric Paint: Pearl

Felt: Red and White

(2) Small Pompoms: White

Baker's Twine: Red/White

(4) Small Black Beads

#### Tools:

Make It: Fun® Foam Cutter or Serrated Knife

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Cut both balls in half. The 2" half balls are the bodies and the 1.5" half balls are the heads. Glue the snowmen to the gift tags.
2. Cut two small triangles from the red felt. Glue each into a cone shape for the hats. Glue a small strip of white felt around the brim of each hat for trim. Glue a pompom to the tip of each hat and glue the hats to the heads. Glue the beads to the face for eyes.
3. Tie two bows with baker's twine and glue to the neck of each snowman.
4. Use the fabric paint to create snowflakes around and underneath the snowmen. Let dry.
5. Tie the tag to the gift with baker's twine.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**



## GOLD-DIPPED STAR GIFT TAG

DESIGNED BY: **Dondi Richardson**

**SUPPLIES:**

**FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:**

Sheet: ½" x 12" x 12"

**Other Materials:**

Craft Paper Gift Tag

Acrylic Paint: Satin Cream

Elastic Cord: Gold

Fine Glitter: Gold

Metal Cookie Cutters: Star, Two Sizes

Toothpicks

**Tools:**

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Cut out one large star and three small stars from the foam sheet using the cookie cutters. Firmly press the cookie cutter completely through the foam. Use a scrap piece of foam as a sanding block to smooth rough edges.
2. Paint the stars cream. Insert toothpicks into the stars to hold while painting. While the stars are still wet, dip a portion of each star in gold glitter. The paint will secure the glitter in place as it dries. Set aside to dry.
3. Glue a length of gold cord into the top of each star. Thread the cord ends through the hole in the gift tag and tie together so the stars are at various lengths. Glue the ends at the back of the tag if necessary.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

## HOLLY BERRY GIFT TAG

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Balls: (3) 1"

#### Other Materials:

Craft Paper Gift Tag

Acrylic Paint: Red

Felt: Green

Baker's Twine: Red/White

Fine Glitter: Red

#### Tools:

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush

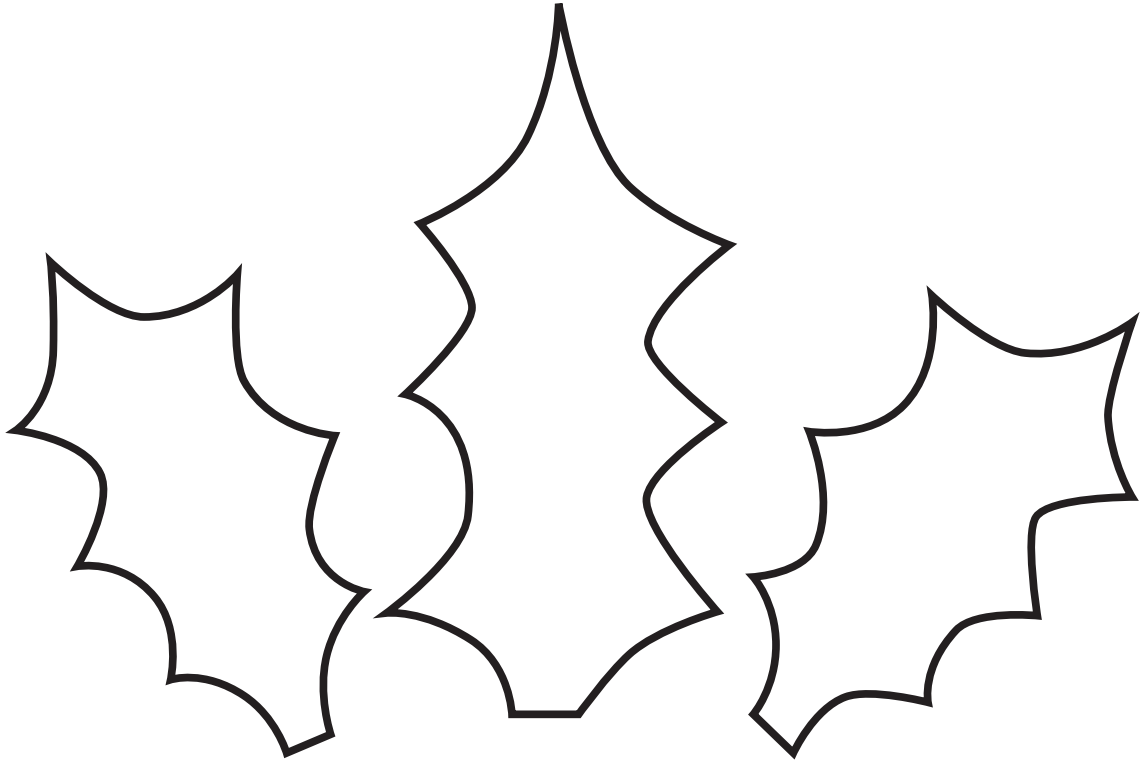


**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Paint the three balls red. While the paint is still wet, cover the balls with red glitter. The paint will secure the glitter in place as it dries. Set aside to dry.
2. Cut out three leaf shapes from the green felt. (Use template if needed.) Glue the ends of the leaves onto the corner of the gift tag as shown. Glue the three red glittered balls in a cluster on top of the leaves.
3. Tie the tag to the gift with baker's twine.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

HOLLY  
BERRY  
GIFT  
TAG



FELT LEAF  
TEMPLATES

## STAR GIFT TAG

DESIGNED BY: Dondi Richardson

### SUPPLIES:

#### FloraCraft® Make It: Fun® Foam:

Sheet: ½" x 12" x 12"

#### Other Materials:

Craft Paper Gift Tag

Acrylic Paint: Satin Cream

Baker's Twine: Cream/Natural

Small Gold Charm

Metal Cookie Cutter: Star

#### Tools:

Low-Temp Glue Gun

Scissors

Paint Brush





**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Firmly press the cookie cutter completely through the foam. Remove the cutter and gently press out the shape. Use a scrap piece of foam as a sanding block to smooth away any rough edges.
2. Paint the star cream and let dry. Use the baker's twine to tie the charm around the star. Glue the star to the gift tag. Tie the tag to the gift with the twine.

**SKILL LEVEL: Beginner**

# TIPS & TECHNIQUES

## for Crafting with FloraCraft® Foam



**Paint It!** Most acrylic paints will work well on FloraCraft® Foam. When spray painting, hold can upright approximately 12-18" from the foam and spray light, even coats. Spraying too close, or too heavy of a coat could melt the foam. Let dry between coats. For easier handling when painting, insert a toothpick or skewer into the foam shape to use as a handle.



**Glue It!** Want a fast, sure bond? Use a low-temperature glue gun. StyroGlue® or white craft glue has a longer dry time, but will still create a sure bond. For a better bond and to help hold pieces together while drying, insert a toothpick between the pieces before pressing them together. For instant tack, glue both surfaces and allow to dry slightly before pressing together.



**Cut It!** FloraCraft® Foam cuts easily with the Foam Cutter, StyroCutter®, StyroCutter® Plus, a serrated knife, or even cookie cutters. Wax the knife blades with an old candle for easier, smoother cuts. To cut a thick piece of foam, or several sheets stacked together, use an electric knife.



**Texture It!** Cover FloraCraft® Foam shapes with stucco and make patterns like swirls or petals. Try using plaster, gesso, air-dry clay, modeling paste, drywall joint compound, paper clay, decoupage or paste for various textures and effects. For outdoor use, tile grout works great!



**Sand It!** FloraCraft® Foam acts like fine sand-paper when rubbed together. For smooth, rounded edges, rub the foam with another piece of foam. To shape larger pieces, cut out the basic shape and then sand the final details into the shape.

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