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11 Angel Crafts to Make: Homemade Christmas Ornaments & Decorations

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Letter from the Editors

Dear Readers,

Angels are a beautiful symbol with which to decorate your home. Whether you are decorating for the holidays or creating permanent, year-round fixtures for various rooms, this collection of *11 Angel Crafts to Make: Homemade Christmas Ornaments & Decorations* will help you choose a lovely little angel. These angels will also make great Christmas crafts.

If you need a pattern to create your angel, we have projects with free angel craft patterns. From kid-friendly angel crafts that won't take long to make to more challenging clay designs, you're sure to find a project you'll want to try! We've also included projects for wire crafts, clay, and even crochet, and all are available right at your fingertips. Fill your home with the soft warmth of angels and a little heavenly inspiration when you explore the crafts found in this free eBook *11 Angel Crafts to Make: Homemade Christmas Ornaments & Decorations*.

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Sincerely,

The Editors of FaveCrafts

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Kid-Friendly Angel Craft Patterns Angel Ornament Toilet Paper Roll Craft By: <u>Stephenie Hamen for FaveCrafts</u>

Learn how to make toilet paper roll ornaments for Christmas with this beautiful angel. Angel crafts are perfect for Christmas, and they don't just have to adorn the top of the tree! With the Angel Ornament Toilet Paper Roll Craft, you can reduce, reuse, and recycle those toilet paper rolls to make beautiful crafts. This project will teach you how to turn a plain brown tube into a darling Christmas angel. It is also a great project to do with the kids to teach them all about green crafting!



Materials

- Toilet paper roll
- White paint
- Foam brush
- Hot glue
- Button
- Paper doily
- Cocktail toothpick
- Wooden heart stickers
- Scissors

- 1. Cut your roll to about 1/3 x 2/3 in length. Cut up one side of 1/3 piece to create a flat square.
- 2. Cut it into a triangular shape with a flat top instead of a point.
- 3. Take and cut remaining tube in half and cut one of those open flat.
- 4. Fold this in half and hand cut out wings.
- 5. Paint pieces white on both sides and let it dry.
- 6. Use hot glue and adhere the cocktail toothpick to the back center of the triangular piece with just the top sticking out.
- 7. Glue the wings on.
- 8. Hot glue button on as head.
- 9. Cut part of the doily and add to the angel's skirt to decorate it.
- 10. Add on heart sticker.
- 11. Add hanger of some sort onto the back so that it can hang on the tree.

Popsicle Stick Angel Ornament Craft

By: <u>Stephenie Hamen for FaveCrafts</u>

Make a darling new ornament for your tree with classic craft supplies. The Popsicle Stick Angel Ornament Craft is a beautiful project for making an angel for the tree. DIY angel ornaments are incredible because you can make them with so many unexpected materials! Did you notice what those angel wings are made of? And look at how nicely the Popsicle sticks line up to form the angel's body! This is a fun craft to do with friends, and it's easy enough for kids, too! You'll enjoy making Popsicle stick crafts for Christmas this year.



Materials

- Popsicle sticks
- Hot glue
- White paint

- White buttons
- Mini white cupcake liners
- Scissors

Instructions

- 1. Paint Popsicle sticks white and let them dry.
- 2. Glue them together to create angel's base, cutting some pieces with the scissors as you go.

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- 3. Glue button on for the head and folded cupcake liners on for wings.
- 4. Add a few additional buttons to the front of the skirt.
- 5. Add a hanger so that it will go on your tree.

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Paper Angel DIY Ornament

By: Tanner Bell for FaveCrafts

This Paper Angel DIY Ornament is a super cute and easy Christmas decoration to try this year. Not only is this a great kids craft that lets your kids go a little crazy with glitter, but this DIY ornament is a memorable Christmas tree decoration that you can keep for years. Plus, this is a budget-friendly craft to make for the holidays. You can create your own adorable angel ornament in just a few easy steps!



Materials

- Coffee filters
- Glitter
- Clothes pins
- Pipe cleaner
- Tacky glue

- Scissors
- Paper
- Black paint
- Paint brushes
- Decou-Page

Instructions

- 1. Remove the metal spring from the clothespin so you have two separate pieces, and fold a coffee filter in half, fanning it out to look like wings.
- 2. Glue your coffee filter in the middle onto one of your clothespin halves, then glue the top half down onto that. Allow to dry.

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- 3. Take a brush and lightly apply Decou-Page onto the wings and sprinkle glitter however you like.
- 4. Take a Sharpie and draw eyes and a mouth onto your angel, and with a small piece of pipe cleaner, create a halo and glue it onto the back of the clothespin.
- 5. Display on your tree or hang as beautiful room decor for the holidays!



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Discover even more beautiful ways to decorate your tree with this collection of *Simple Homemade Christmas Ornaments*! Wire Angel Crafts Bell Angel By: <u>Bead Studio</u>

This wire craft is a very easy project that makes a cute decoration for a package, a tree, or a window. You can even place this decoration on your office desk in case you need some divine inspiration! This craft is perfect to display around the holidays or anytime you want a little angelic beauty. If you work regularly with wire and beads, then you likely have a number of the materials for this craft on hand.



Materials

- 1 brass bell
- 1 wing bead
- 1 8mm round bead
- 1 6 or 8mm jump ring
- 2 crimp beads
- 6" soft flex
- 1 3" piece 20g wire
- 10 4mm beads
- Chain-nose pliers
- Glue
- Wire cutters

1. String on a crimp bead, 8mm round bead, and wing bead onto soft flex wire. String through the loop on the bell, then back through the wing, 8mm and crimp bead and with the chainnose pliers, crimp firmly. Trim the tail leaving about 4" for decorating.



2. Place a dab of glue on the closed jump ring and place on the 8mm bead to create the halo.

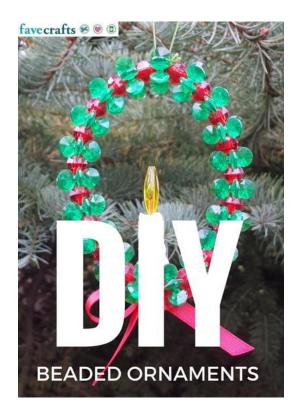


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3. Bend the 3" piece of 20g wire to make a hanger.



4. Add the 4mm beads and the last crimp bead. Loop through hanger then back through the crimp bead and crimp. Trim excess wire.

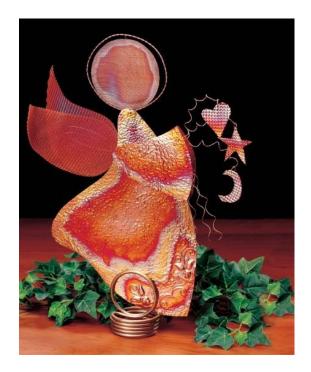


If you love crafting with beads, then this collection of <u>DIY Beaded Ornaments</u> is for you!

Heavenly Angel Centerpiece

By: Jana Ewy for AMACO

Create an angel centerpiece for your table using wire form and metal embossing! This craft makes for a unique and colorful centerpiece any time of year. The angel can also be placed on a bookshelf or dresser, and will make a wonderful gift idea for friends and family.



Materials

- AMACO[®] ArtEmboss[®] Pure Metal Sheets
 Medium Copper
- AMACO[®] WireMesh[®] Copper
- AMACO[®] WireForm[®] Designer's Mesh; Brass
- AMACO[®] WireForm[®] WireRod Modeling Wire (Coiled) - Aluminum, 3/16"
- AMACO[®] Brush 'n Leaf[®] Old Gold
- AMACO[®] ArtEmboss[®] Tool Set

- Spray adhesive
- E6000 glue
- Nicole embossing heat tool
- Metal baking pan
- Pencil
- Brush
- Fun foam sheet
- Fiskars scissors
- Pattern (follows instructions)

Instructions

1. Enlarge the angel pattern on a copier to the desired size. Cut out all of the pattern pieces.

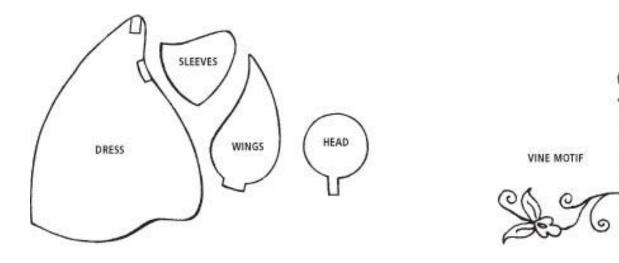
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- 2. Place the dress and the sleeve patterns onto the ArtEmboss[®] medium copper sheet. With the pointed end of the embossing tool, trace around the dress and the sleeve patterns and cut out. Read the package instructions for tips on embossing with ArtEmboss[®].
- 3. Turn the two ArtEmboss[®] dress pieces over onto a padded surface and use the pointed end of the embossing tool or stylus to outline the dress pieces and to retrace the vine motif.
- 4. Turn the two ArtEmboss[®] sleeve pieces over onto a sheet of fun foam and with the eraser end of the pencil, pound on it. To smooth it out, use the embossing tool as a rolling pin. Keeping the ArtEmboss[®] sleeve on the foam sheet, simply roll the embossing tool over the surface to flatten. Turn the sleeve over onto a hard surface and lightly roll the embossing tool over it again. You should have a soft hammered look. Set the dress and sleeve pieces aside.
- 5. Place the head and wing patterns over the WireMesh[®] copper sheet. With the pencil, trace two wing patterns and one head pattern. Cut out. To color the copper by heating (optional): Place the copper WireMesh[®] and ArtEmboss[®] pieces onto a metal baking sheet. Heat each of the pieces with a heat gun to create a patina finish. With prolonged heat in one area the copper will turn orange, then rust, then red, then blue, then gold. By moving the heat gun around, you can create some unusual patterns of color. Let the copper cool, then continue with project.
- 6. Check the dress pattern for the head and wing placement. With the pointed end of the embossing tool, mark their placement on both the ArtEmboss[®] dress pieces.
- 7. Pull a long strand of wire from the Designer's Mesh Brass WireForm[®]. Fold the wire in half and twist the two strands together. Wrap the twisted wire around a 2 oz. bottle of acrylic paint or any other round object of similar size to form a circle for the halo. Twist the wire again to secure it and form a stem. Slide the wire off the bottle and with the scissors, trim the excess wire, leaving a one-inch stem.
- 8. Apply an even coat of spray adhesive to the wrong side of both of the ArtEmboss[®] dress pieces. Place the WireMesh[®] wings into position on each side of the dress pieces. Align the ArtEmboss[®] dress pieces and adhere together. Press firmly to insure a good bond.
- 9. Glue the ArtEmboss[®] sleeve pieces into place, on each side of the dress. Align the sleeves and lay the Angel flat until the glue has dried.

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- 10. Pull off three long strands of the Brass WireForm[®] wire. Fold the wire in half and twist together, leaving a small loop where the wire was folded. Repeat this step with the other two wires.
- 11. Wrap each of these stems around a pencil to form a long spiral. Glue the stems between the two sleeves and let dry.
- 12. Cut out a heart, star, and moon from the copper ArtEmboss[®]. Punch a small hole at the top of each and attach to the stems using a jump ring.

Pattern



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Clay Angel Crafts Potter Clay Angels By: Michelle Zimmerman for AMACO

These clay angels are very stylish and are actually quite simple to make. They will enhance any seasonal display with their soft pink color and suede-like clay finish. You can incorporate these elegant angels in your holiday decorations, place them on your mantelpiece, or place them in every room of your home. Just remember to keep these angels indoors — you don't want them to rust!



Materials

- AMACO[®] Mexican Pottery Clay[™] 2 lb. box
- AMACO[®] Fun Wire[™] Clear Copper, 18 gauge
- Styrofoam cones (1 per angel)
- Large heart shape cutter (optional)
- Small drill bit
- Plastic wrap
- Clay tools and roller
- Pliers

- 1. Roll out the clay out on plain newsprint until it is around ¼" thick.
- 2. Cover one Styrofoam cone per angel with plastic wrap. Wrap the clay around the Styrofoam cone and trim away the excess clay. Seal the side seams with your hand and close the clay at the top. Trim the bottom of the shape evenly so it will stand.
- 3. Cut the wings using a heart shape cutter from the rolled out clay. Cut shape in two then pull on ends to form wings (wings can also be formed by hand drawing a template and then cutting around it). Fix the wings to the back of the angel.
- 4. To make the head, roll a ball of clay in your hand. Hollow out the center of the ball and then press onto the top of the cone shape. Set aside to dry.
- 5. When clay has dried enough that it feels like leather, use small drill bit to make hole for the halo wire in the back of the angel's neck. Remove the Styrofoam shape and the plastic from the inside of the angel.
- 6. Create a halo from Fun Wire[™] and glue it into the hole you made at the back of the angel.
- 7. Allow to dry thoroughly.

Clay Angel Ornament

By: Diana Crick for AMACO

This holiday season, why not create a polymer clay angel ornament to add a homemade touch to your next Christmas tree? With its elegant design and beautiful details, this clay angel ornament is one that you will enjoy for years to come. This angel holds red and white candy canes for a bit of holiday color. We think you'll agree that this ornament is a truly sweet design!



Materials

- FIMO[®] soft polymer clay (2 oz. blocks) -White (2), Cherry Red (1), Flesh Light (1), and Caramel (1)
- AMACO[®] polymer clay template
- FIMO[®] gloss lacquer
- Heart-shaped cookie cutters or rubber stamps - 13/4" and 21/4"
- Heart cutters 3/16" and 1/2"
- Scallop-edged scissors
- Fun Wire[™] pearlized gold, 24-gauge
- 22-gauge floral wire
- Gold elastic cord
- Powder blush

- Eye pin
- White acrylic paint
- Ball stylus
- AMACO[®] PolyRoller or pasta machine
- Ceramic tile for work surface
- X-Acto[®] knife
- Club-shaped or flower-shaped canapé cutter (1/2")
- Darning needle
- Small gold beads
- Unlined index cards
- Pearlescent glitter

- Read template instructions and tips. Write the following headings on an index card: Dress; Wing; Collar; Sleeve; Head; Neck, Hand, Feet; Candy Cane; Red Hearts; and Gingerbread Men. Leave a two inch space under each heading to place the clay balls. Tip: If you are going to make lots of angels, laminate the card for re-use.
- 2. Cut the quantity of clay needed for specific ball sizes. This is easy with the template and drawings that come with it. With the White FIMO® Soft make the following size balls: one 11/8" ball for dress, one 11/8" ball for the wing, one 7/8" ball for the collar, two 5/8" balls for the sleeves. With the Flesh Light FIMO® Soft make one 7/8" ball for head and one 5/8" ball for the neck, hand, and feet. For the candy cane make one 5/8" ball with the Cherry Red FIMO® Soft and one 5/8" ball with the White FIMO® Soft. Make one 1/2" ball of Cherry Red FIMO® Soft for the red hearts. For the gingerbread men make one 7/8" ball of the Caramel FIMO® Soft. Place each piece of clay on the card in its place.
- 3. Condition each piece separately by kneading with your hands to soften. Roll into a ball using the template for measuring the diameter and place back on card. Do Flesh Light first, then White, Caramel, and finally, Cherry Red. Wash hands between colors with cool water and soap.
- 4. **CANDY CANES:** Roll the White ball into a log 4" long using the ruler on the template then cut in half. Repeat with the Cherry Red ball. Twist a red and white log to make cane. Smooth and curve top. Repeat with other red and white logs.
- 5. **RED HEARTS:** Flatten the Cherry Red ball between your hands into a pancake. Roll out flat and cut lots of 3/16" hearts (you can use the extras in future projects).
- 6. **GINGERBREAD MEN:** After flattening and rolling Caramel ball, cut lots of club shapes or flowers. If you're using a club cutter, slice bottom stem to make legs. Make a small hole in each "arm" with a darning needle for threading the elastic cord after baking.
- 7. Pre-bake canes, hearts, and gingerbread men for 15 minutes at 265 degrees F (129 degrees C).
- 8. **DRESS:** Flatten White ball into a pancake a little larger than the heart stamp or cookie cutter then roll out to about 1/8" thick. Press stamp or cutter into clay then cut out with scissors. Top of dress is the point of the heart. Make small box pleat to gather upper part of dress slightly.

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- 9. **SLEEVE:** Roll each White ball into a long cone shape (21/4"). Press fatter end of cone on work surface gently to flatten end. Trim off narrow end so sleeve is 13/4" long. Lay along heart with narrow end at top of dress.
- 10. **COLLAR:** Flatten White ball into a pancake a little larger than the 13/4" stamp then roll out. Press stamp or cutter into clay then gently lift from work surface and cut out with scallopedged scissors. Lay heart-shaped collar over dress and shoulders, folding point of heart 3/4" over to back of dress. Press the pre-baked heart in place.
- 11. NECK, HANDS, FEET: Flatten and roll out the Flesh Light ball then cut out four 1/2" hearts. Roll three into three separate balls. Place the fourth underneath the indentation at dress bottom, leaving curves to show as toes. Press dress firmly onto feet. Press one ball down to flatten slightly then press onto collar to form neck. Set the other two balls aside.
- 12. **HEAD:** Re-roll Flesh Light ball to soften. Push a one inch piece of florist wire into head where it will join the neck. Gently lift the angel and press the head down onto the neck making firm contact. Pierce two holes for eyes. **Tip:** If you are right-handed, make the left eye first for ease in alignment. Powder cheeks with blush.
- 13. HAIR: Cut ten 21/2" lengths of pearlized gold Fun Wire[™]. Bend each into a "U" shape, cross wires over and pull ends in opposite directions. This will form a loop like a seagull. Hold the middle loop between your thumb and index finger of your left hand. With your right hand, smooth wires down to meet and form bottom of heart. Twist ends together and cut off excess. You only need a 1/4" tail. Make ten or more. Why more? They won't all be the same size and if you have more, you can choose the five that are most alike. Press them into head, placing the most nearly perfect one on top.
- 14. **HALO:** Cut a 41/2" length of pearlized gold Fun Wire[™] and bend it around the bottle of FIMO[®] lacquer to shape. Draw wire together tightly. Hold wires together and turn bottle, not the wires, to form tail. Trim tail to 1/4" and insert into head about 1/4" back behind the top wire heart. Trim the eye pin to 1/2" and push into head just behind the halo. Turn the opening of the eye pin so that the elastic will thread through from side to side and angel will hang straight.
- 15. WINGS: Follow step 8 for dress, but omit pleat. Press four pre-baked hearts into wing. Lift angel onto wings, placing head in center of heart. Gently press head to make firm contact with wing. Slide X-Acto[®] knife gently under whole sculpture to ease it off the work surface. Press bottom of wing to make contact with back of collar. Lay angel down.

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- 16. HANDS: For gingerbread angel, press a small ball of Flesh Light FIMO® Soft to bottom of each sleeve. Pinch ball at free end to flatten and create fingertips. Twist darning needle into hand to make a hole for threading through garland. For candy cane angel, press a small ball of Flesh Light FIMO® Soft to bottom of each sleeve. Place two candy canes on dress. Lift sleeve across canes to hold them in place. Press hand onto candy cane. Second hand is just like gingerbread angels', but with no hole.
- 17. Bake angels at 265 degrees F (129 degrees C) for 40 minutes. Turn oven off, but leave angels in until they are thoroughly cooled.
- 18. Use White acrylic paint and ball stylus or end of small paint brush to make dots on cheeks, toes, and hands. Decorate gingerbread men as shown in photograph. Re-dip for each dot so they will each be the same size.
- 19. Glaze gingerbread men with FIMO[®] Gloss Lacquer. When dry, thread them onto gold elastic cord in this order: gold bead, man, two beads, man, two beads, man, last bead. Thread one end of cord up through one hand and the other end up through the other hand. Make an over hand knot in the cord, guiding the knot down close to the top of the hand using the point of the darning needle. Trim excess cord. Thread piece of gold elastic through the eye pin as a hanging loop.
- 20. Sprinkle glitter onto wax paper. Brush back of angel with lacquer and lay the angel down onto the glitter to coat back and hide any imperfections. Let dry; apply another coat of lacquer to seal glitter. **Note:** Never use clear nail polish on polymer clay. Within a few months it will become very sticky.

Angel in Frame Ornament

By: Ann Koeman for FaveCrafts

Add a whimsical ornament to your Christmas tree with this delightful clay craft! The intermediate craft pattern would also make a cute gift idea for family and friends. Simply attach this ornament to any presents you plan to give! Everyone is sure to love this unique decoration.

From the designer: "Made with Air Dry Clay from creative Paperclay. Vintage and fragile looking, it is easy to make and takes very few supplies. All you need is some air drying clay, a mold for a tiny frame, a vintage, or vintage looking image, some paint, and string. Learn to make items with the light weight and quick to dry Paperclay. Make many ornaments for your tree for many years of memories to come."



Materials

- Creative Paperclay[®] modeling material
- Silicone molds by Mod Podge and Martha Stewart
- Silk glazes in African Jade, Oyster, and Ginger Peach
- Hot glue gun and glue stick
- String
- Vintage paper Christmas gift tag/image

- 1. Take some Creative Paperclay[®] modeling material and knead it lightly and roll into a skinny sausage to put into the frame mold. Roll another small piece of Creative Paperclay[®] modeling material into a ball and push into the bow frame.
- 2. After a couple of hours (depending on your climate), push on the mold to release the ornament carefully and let dry overnight, maybe even 24 hours.
- 3. Once the ornament pieces are dry, color them with some glazes, inks, or paints. Let the color dry.
- 4. Trim the image if needed. Using some hot glue, adhere the bow to the frame. Adhere the string to the image at the top on the front. Glue the frame over the image, making sure the string part stays hidden. Let dry.



You'll be inspired to create eco-friendly items when you see our collection of projects in <u>*Recycle Trash for Crafting*</u>!

Snowman and Angel Ornaments

By: Linda Peterson for AMACO

Create this snowman and angel holiday ornament set and ring in the holiday cheer! These delightful ornaments will be a whimsical addition to your Christmas tree or centerpieces for the holidays. These ornaments will also make stunning gift toppers for everyone on your holiday shopping list.



Materials

- FIMO[®] Soft Polymer Clay White (#0), Black (#9), Cherry Red (#26), Brilliant Blue (#33), Emerald (#56), Sahara (#70), and Caramel (#7)
- Blush (optional)
- AMACO[®] Needle Tool
- AMACO[®] PolyBlade or craft knife
- AMACO[®] polymer clay template
- Oven
- Toothpick
- Index card
- Baby wipes

Snowman Instructions

1. **BODY:** Roll a 1-3/4" and a 11/4" ball of White FIMO[®] Soft. Stack the smaller ball on top of the larger. Shape two 5/8" White balls into long teardrops. Place these on each side of snowman for arms.

Snowman instructions continued on next page

Snowman instructions (cont.)

- 2. **SCARF:** Flatten Brilliant Blue FIMO[®] Soft to 1/8" and cut a strip 1/4" wide by 3" long. Wrap this strip around neck of snowman and trim. Shape two 3/8" balls into triangles. Draw in fringe marks with a needle tool. Press these to side of scarf as shown in picture. Press a 1/4" ball to create knot.
- 3. **HAT:** Flatten Black FIMO[®] Soft to 1/8". Cut out a 1-1/2" circle (use polymer clay template as your guide). Press over top of snowman. Roll a 7/8" Black ball. Flatten on top and bottom then press over brim. Wrap a 1/8" strip of Brilliant Blue FIMO[®] Soft around brim of hat. Roll three 3/16" Cherry Red balls and press onto hat for berries. Shape three 3/16" Emerald balls into teardrops and add leaf veins with needle tool. Add these to berries. Repeat this step for berries to embellish the front.
- 4. **FACE:** Roll a 1/4" Cherry Red ball and press to center of face for nose. Poke holes for eyes with needle tool and draw in the smile.

Angel Instructions

- 1. **BODY:** Shape a 1-1/4" ball of White FIMO[®] Soft into a cone. Press indentations to bottom of cone to create ruffle with a needle tool. Make some long and some short.
- 2. **ARMS:** Roll two 5/8" White balls into cones and press indentations into the thick end as you did on the body. Roll two 1/4" balls of Sahara and press one to each thick end of arm for hands. Cut out a 1/2" circle and indent with needle tool all around to create scallops for neck. Press over neckline and insert toothpick. Trim toothpick to 1/2" above neckline.
- 3. **HEAD:** Press a 7/8" Sahara ball over toothpick.
- 4. HAIR: Flatten Carmel FIMO[®] Soft to 1/8" and cut out a circle the size of a nickel. Press over head. Roll two 1/2" logs and shape into tapered logs. Press the thin pointed edge to each side of the head for pigtails. Roll skinny snakes of clay, twist and add to perimeter of head for bangs. Roll a 1/8" log 3/4" long of White clay and create a circle. Press circle to top of head for halo.
- 5. FACE: Press a tiny ball of Sahara FIMO[®] Soft into center of head for nose. Poke holes for eyes with needle tool. Draw in smile and brow marks with needle tool. Add a touch of blush to cheeks (optional).

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Angel instructions (cont.)

- 6. WINGS: With White FIMO® Soft roll four logs 1/8" by 1-1/2" long. Roll into a jelly log. Repeat. Place two rolls together and press rolls to back of angel for wings. Repeat this for the other side. Finish by pressing a ball in the center of the wing rolls as shown in the picture.
- 7. **CANDY CANES:** Twist a log of Cherry Red and White together. Cut into 1-1/2" length and bend. Press into front of Angel.

Bake both projects in a pre-heated oven at 265 degrees F (130 degrees C) for 30 to 45 minutes. Let cool.



Take a look at our collection of <u>*Christmas Angel Crafts*</u> for even more heavenly ideas!

More Fun Angel Crafts Lollipop Angel Ornament By: Patricia Giannini for FaveCrafts

From the designer: "Lollipop Angel is a whimsical ornament that can be used as an ornament on the tree or as a unique gift card. It is not only an ornament but a sweet treat for the recipient. It only takes a few yards of white yarn, can be adapted to size by choice of yarn. The gold trim is optional. You can make it with a full size lollipop or use a mini-lollipop. It literally only takes minutes to complete the entire project. It is a simple project for beginners, but is also a fun project for experienced crocheters."



Materials

- Small amount of white yarn (can be made with baby yarn or worsted)
- Small amount of gold metallic crochet thread for halo
- Small amount of gold metallic crochet thread for trim on Angel's skirt (optional)
- G crochet hook for baby yarn
- H crochet hook for worsted
- D crochet hook for halo
- Lollipop (mini lollipop for baby yarn; full size lollipop for worsted)

Gauge: 2 rounds dc = 1" Finished Size: Approximately 3-1/2" using baby yarn. Approximately 5" using worsted weight yarn.

- 1. Rnd 1: Ch 12, join with sl st in 1st ch to form ring.
- 2. Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in same ch, 2 dc in next ch, 2 dc in each ch 2 dc in last ch (24 dc).
- 3. **Rnd 3:** Ch 3, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, sk 9 dc, 2 dc in each of next 3 dc, sk 9 dc, 2 dc in last dc, join with slip st in top of first dc (12 dc).
- 4. **Rnd 4:** Ch 3, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, * dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, repeat from * around, join in first dc (16 dc).
- 5. **Rnd 5:** Ch 3, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, * dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, repeat from * around, dc in last dc, join in top of first dc (21 dc).
- 6. **Rnd 6:** Ch 3, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, * dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, repeat around, join with sl st in first dc. Fasten off (26 dc).
- 7. **Optional:** Using gold metallic crochet thread: Sc in each Rnd 6 stitches. Fasten off.
- 8. **Halo:** Using D hook and gold metallic crochet thread: Ch 16, join with sl st. Rnd 1: Sc in each ch around, join in first ch. Fasten off, leaving a long piece of thread to use for hanger.
- 9. **Finishing:** Glue halo to top of lollipop. Insert lollipop into angel's neck. Tie hanger. (If lollipop slips from angel's neck, glue front of lollipop to neck.)

Simple Elegance Magenta Christmas Angel

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From the designer: "Here is a Christmas angel that you can make in no time. Use metal pens and feathers to turn an ordinary polystyrene cone into an extraordinary decoration for Christmas. You can even make a whole angel choir to fill a mantelpiece, and add a modern yet elegant touch to your décor."



Materials

- 1 5.4" high polystyrene cone
- 4 magenta colored feathers
- 2.4" long cream colored pearl head millinery florist hat pin
- 1" high clear round acrylic bead
- Brass scourer
- Giotto décor opaque metal pens in magenta and gold
- Quick-drying craft glue, such as Bostik clear
- Acrilex cola air dry polystyrene glue
- Thin green florist wire and pliers (optional)

1. Use the metal magenta pen to color the polystyrene cone. Color small parts at a time, and allow to dry. Once dry, the ink won't come off.



- 2. Use the metal gold pen to add a golden swirl design all around the cone and allow to dry.
- 3. Push the hat pin through the bead, then into the apex of the cone to secure the bead to the top of the cone. This will be the angel's head and crown.



4. Cut small pieces from the brass scourer. Use Bostik to glue it to the bead to make the angel's hair. Be careful not to drop any glue on to the cone.

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5. Use the feathers to add the angel's wings. Use polystyrene glue to secure the feathers to the back of the cone, two feathers on each side.

Tip: You can also use small wire hooks to help secure the feathers to the cone. Use pliers and cut thin green florist wire into 2.4" strips. Bend each wire strip to make small wire hooks, and push the hooks into the back of the cone to help keep the feathers in place.



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