

Supply List

- Cookie Mold *
M6031 Pine Cone
- Paperclay * or Delight *
- Acrylic paints: warm white, soft yellow, cad yellow, medium brown, avocado, burgundy, raw umber
- Glazing medium
- Acrylic satin varnish
- Paintbrushes
- Cotton rag
- Coordinating paper for back
- Ribbon for hanging
- E6000 Adhesive

Materials marked with an asterisk () can be purchased from house on the hill.*



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The House Teaches

PINE CONE ORNAMENT

Our instructions are general. You may find other techniques that work well for you. Another color scheme in blues and greens might be your cup of tea. Or you may wish to try making small holes in the Paperclay when you cast your ornaments and tying a ribbon or gold thread through the hole. And be sure to try your hand with other cookie mold designs.



1. Casting

Paperclay or Delight

Make a casting from Paperclay or Delight. Knead selected material into a solid mass and with a rolling pin, roll material about ½ inch thick on a flat surface brushed with cornstarch. Brush the cookie mold with cornstarch. Press the mold firmly and straight down into the Delight or Paperclay. Lift the mold straight up. Cut the casting and place on a cookie rack to dry. Repeat, making desired number of castings. Let dry approximately 24 hours. You may sand any rough edges with fine sand paper.

2. Paint as desired

For this ornament, the center background was painted with warm white, the outer border with a soft yellow, the raised frame with cad yellow, the pine cone a medium brown and the pine bough an avocado green. The raised yellow border was dotted with a deep burgundy. Let the

paint dry for 15 minutes and then brush a glazing medium over the entire surface. Let dry for 2-3 hours.

3. Antique the painted surface

Mix glazing medium with raw umber paint (3:1). With a large flat brush, quickly coat the painted surface with this mixture. Immediately wipe the surface with the cotton rag, leaving the antiquing glaze in the recesses and corners. Let dry 3 – 4 hours or overnight.

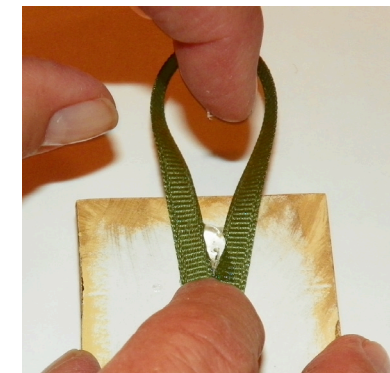


4. Varnish

Brush with varnish and let dry several hours.

5. Finishing

Cut a 6" piece of ribbon and adhere to the top back side of the ornament. Cut a piece of coordinating paper to



fit the back surface and glue it on the backside over the ribbon ends. If you wish, write a message on the paper side of the ornament.