

We set aside a couple of evenings to bring along ideas, and try them out.

The ideas are for:-

- 2 main crafts (taking 25 mins each to make) – materials costing up to £1:50
- Kits that can be made up for people to make later at home
- Crafts that could be demonstrated at the start of the evening

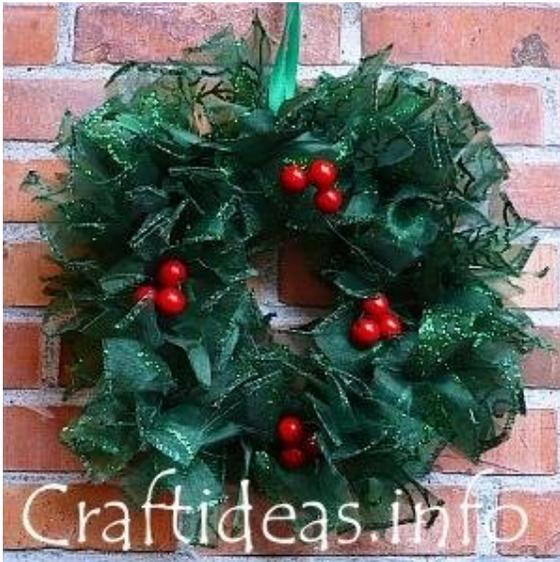
These are examples of things that have inspired us ....



<http://www.favecrafts.com/Ornaments/Quilted-CD-Ornaments/ct/1>



CD + 2" squares of fabric



For this project you will need:

- 12 cm metal ring
- 2.50 meters (7 1/2 yards) transparent ribbon with glitter effect (ribbon should be about 9 cm wide)
- 12 red wooden beads (8-10 mm big)
- thin green florist wire
- scissors

Instructions:



1. Above is the ribbon used. Cut it into 1.5 - 2 cm strips. Now tie each strip around the ring until it is completely covered.



2. Add 4 groups of 3 beads on the wire and then connect the wire to the wreath so that the beads are on top. Above is a picture of how the wire should look.
3. Use a green satin ribbon to hang the wreath.

wreath









## Paperback Christmas Tree

Project Instructions:



Choose a paperback book with a strong spine and remove the covers.

Slice the spine with a sharp knife to separate the first 30 pages. This will make the first half of the tree.

Begin folding the pages, as shown in the Photo 1, at right. First, fold the top right corner toward the spine to form a right angled triangle.



Fold the triangle toward the spine again, as shown in Photo 2.

The bottom edge of the page will overhang the bottom of the



book.

Fold the overhanging triangle at the bottom of the book back up to form a straight line along the the bottom of page, as shown in Photo 3.

Repeat with all thirty pages and set aside.

Use the knife to slice another 30 pages from the book. Turn this section so the spine is on the right, rather than left. Repeat the steps above to create a mirror image.

Glue the two halves of the Christmas tree together and add a wooden star at the top.

Spray paint the tree all over. You may need two or three coats for complete coverage.

N.B.

We used spiral bound sketch pads. The white trees with silver stars looked brilliant. We used wooden kebab sticks inside the spiral binding, inserted into a plastic cotton reel in a mini jam jar, with red paper wrapped around it, as the base.

