

Jolly Gingerbread Man

Supplies included in kit:

- Gingerbread man pattern
- Kraft paper
- Polyester fill
- Cinnamon
- Pencil
- Wire – 12"
- Bristle brush
- Mod Podge (condiment cup)
- White paint (paint pot)
- Cotton swabs
- Homespun – 3/4" x 2'
- Wooden buttons
- Gingerbread tag
- Thin yarn – 5"
- Hot glue gun
- Hot glue sticks

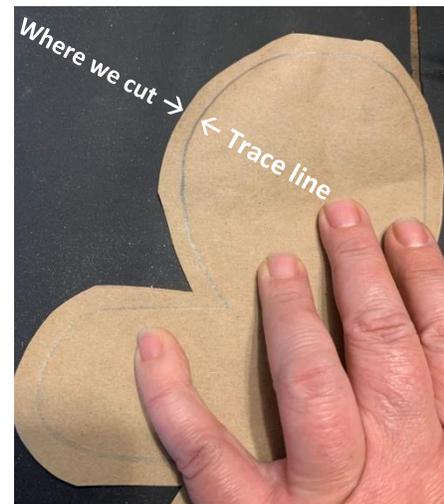


Additional supplies you will need:

- Scissors
- Hair dryer (optional)

Directions:

1. Plug in the hot glue gun to start heating.
2. Cut out the gingerbread man pattern.
3. Using a pencil, trace the pattern two times onto the Kraft paper.
4. Cut out the two gingerbread men, **leaving about a 1/4-inch gap around the trace line when you cut. DO NOT cut on the line!**
5. Use the trace line as a guide to apply the hot glue. Starting at the legs, glue the gingerbread halves together in small sections and stuff it with small pieces of polyester fill as you go.
6. Use your fingers or the eraser end of the pencil to help poke the polyester fill into place. It will turn out better if it's not overstuffed.
7. Continue to alternate gluing sections and stuffing them until you get to the top of his head. Glue it shut.



8. Poke the ends of the wire through the top of his head for a hanger. Twist the ends back around the hanger wire to secure it.
9. Using the bristle brush, paint a thin coat of mod podge on one side of the gingerbread man. It's okay to paint over the wire.
10. Shake cinnamon over the mod podge. Tap off the excess.
11. Paint another coat of mod podge on top of the cinnamon to seal it in. The cinnamon will mix with the mod podge.
12. Use a hair dryer on high for 5 minutes to help dry the mod podge. (Or let it air dry.)
13. Repeat the steps of mod podge-cinnamon-mod podge on the other side. Dry.
14. Use the cotton swabs and white paint to add details and a face.
15. Tie a bow around his neck with the gingham homespun.
16. Hot glue the two buttons on his belly.
17. Cut out the gingerbread tag.
18. Thread the yarn through the tag and tie a loop. (It helps to pull a strand out of the yarn to make it skinnier.)
19. Glue the yarn knot underneath the gingham bow to attach the tag.
20. Hang up your Jolly Gingerbread Man and enjoy the holidays!