

CRAFTS TO GO

Winter White Yarn Tree

Materials included: 2 types of white yarn (curvy and straight) and a styrofoam cone

Materials needed: scissors and glue (hot glue or squeezable wet glue like Elmers)

Instructions:

1. Locate the straight white yarn. Beginning at the bottom of your cone, glue down the end piece of yarn very near the bottom edge. Pull the yarn tight as you move around the cone. Try to keep the yarn straight horizontally. You want to hide the styrofoam as much as possible.
2. Begin applying glue to the cone, attaching the yarn as you go in a circle, stacking the yarn closely to the prior row and pulling it tight. Do 7 rows and cut the straight yarn.
3. Locate the long piece of curvy white yarn. Beginning right next to the last straight piece of yarn, glue down the end piece of the curvy yarn. Begin applying glue to the cone, attaching the yarn as you go in a circle, stacking the yarn closely to the prior row. Pull the yarn tight as you move around the cone. Do 7 rows and cut the yarn.
4. Alternate 7 rows of straight white yarn, then 7 rows of curvy white yarn until you reach the end of the curvy white yarn. Attach the short curvy piece of yarn and continue all the way to the top of the cone. (The top will be more than 7 rows).
5. Glue down the top yarn well so that it does not unravel, making sure the styrofoam cone does not show underneath.
6. Feel free to add pins, beads, sequins or whatever your heart desires. We kind of like it plain. It is simple, like fresh fallen snow. Find the perfect spot for your creation and enjoy!



Additional resources:

* Step-by-step tutorials for many crafts are available on Creativebug, a database on the library's webpage. To access it, go to gadml.org, hover over the green header "Research", click on "Research Databases", scroll down to "Creativebug", click on it to open the app and then enter your library card number. Type in a subject you are interested in learning more about in the search box and hit enter. When you see a title of a video you would like to watch, hover over it and click on "view class".