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Burlap Pumpkins

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Note: These directions are designed to be used in conjunction with the videos

General Supply List:

Rotary Cutter, Mat, Ruler

Scissors

Iron and ironing surface

Fabric Marker of your choice (pen, pencil, chalk...)

Microtex size 80 or 90 needle or your favorite needle.

Recommended Machine Feet: regular sewing foot

Construction Thread for the needle and the bobbin

General Sewing Supplies



Supply List for Burlap Pumpkins

Pumpkin: 8 wedges cut from the burlap

Medium pumpkin: 4" x 14"

Large Pumpkin: 5" x 15" (2 pieces of each of the 4 fabrics)

Use the template and cut 8 wedges for each pumpkin

Stem: burlap 8"w x 3"h

Heavy thread for shaping the pumpkin

Large Eye needle (optional)

Upholstery needle

Large Button

Leaves from the craft store for embellishing

Glue gun or your favorite craft glue

Template for Medium and Large Pumpkins: by Margaret Moorehead



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Overview

These are created the same way as the fabric pumpkins however you will stitch with the WRONG sides together so your seams are on the outside.

Stitch 4 wedges together to form on half of the pumpkin.

Stitch the remaining 4 wedges to form the second half.

Stitch the two halves together, stuff with fiber fill and hand stitch the opening closed.

Fray the seams

Since the seams allowances are on the outside, we will not be using the cord to define the pumpkin areas, they are already defined.

We will just create “more of a pumpkin shape” by pulling the top and bottom in at the center

To do this attach a double strand of the heavy thread to the bottom of the pumpkin at the center.

Insert the upholstery needle through a large button, then through the center of the pumpkin having it exit at the opposite end (the top).

Now insert the upholstery needle at the top center of the pumpkin and have it exit through one of the holes in the button at the bottom

Pull the threads taught so the ball shape will become a “pumpkin shape”

Repeat until you have the center as tight and secure as you wish.

Tie threads off securely and clip leaving about a 1” tail.

The stem is created with burlap only, no batting. Simply roll the burlap into a a cylinder and cut it the desired length for your project.

Glue the stem in place.

Glue the leaves in place

ENJOY!

