

HANDMADE HOLIDAYS

Reindeer card holder



SUPPLIES

- 7 in. Wood Embroidery Hoop #77614123
- 9 in. x 12 in. Cashmere Tan Felt - reindeer #77676767
- 2 pcs. of 9 in. x 12 in. Antique White Felt - antlers #77677559
- 2 pcs. 2 in. x 2 in. Red Felt - cheeks #77676619
- 2 - 40mm Moving Eyes #30148420
- Small Red Ornament ball, jingle bell or similar for the nose
- 2 - 12 in. Chenille Stems – light color
- 2 yds. of 7/8 in. Grosgrain ribbon or similar
- Small Wooden Clothespins – for cards

Optional: Christmas Pick

INSTRUCTIONS:



1. Take the embroidery hoop apart by loosening the screw and pulling out the inner hoop.



2. Place one end of the Cashmere Tan felt over the inner hoop, placing the felt closest to one end as shown in the photo. Place the outer hoop back on and tighten the screw. At the same time, stretch the felt until it is taut.



3. Take scissors and cut off the excess felt, trimming as closely as possible to the hoop edge. Save the excess felt for the ears.



4. Turn the hoop so that the screw is at the center top. Place the eyes onto the felt and glue in place. For the nose, you can cut a 1 in. circle from red felt or foamie. Or, you can use a red jingle bell, small ornament ball or a painted Styrofoam ball for a 3-D effect. Place below the eyes and glue in place.



5. Take the 2 in. squares of red felt and cut into heart shapes.



6. Place a heart on either side of the face and glue in place for the cheeks.

TOOLS:

- Fine Tip Black Sharpie Marker #91029
- Low Temp Glue Gun or Tacky Glue
- Scissors



7. Take one of the Antique White felt pieces and fold in half so it is 9 in. x 6 in. Using the pictured sample as reference, cut out a branch-like antler, through both thicknesses of the felt. Keep the set of cut-out antlers together. Repeat with the other Antique White felt piece.



8. Lift the top piece on each set of antlers. Place a chenille stem down the center and glue in place. This will make the antler keep its shape.



9. Glue the two matching antler pieces together, with chenille stem in between. Place an antler on either side of the top of the hoop and glue in place at the back of the hoop.



10. Using the leftover felt, take a 2 in. x 3 in. Cashmere Tan felt piece. Fold in half and cut out a half leaf shape. Open up and use it as a pattern for the other ear. Follow the first piece and cut out. These are the ears.



11. Place a short line of glue at one end of the ear. Pinch together. Repeat with the other ear. Glue the ears at the base of the antlers.



12. Take a 36 in. length of ribbon and make into a double loopy bow. Glue to the bottom of the reindeer's face.

Optional: Glue on a Christmas pick and/or jingle bell for more embellishments.



13. Cut another 36 in. length of ribbon. Glue to the bottom of the hoop, gluing one edge of the ribbon to the back inside of the hoop. The ribbon length should hang down below the reindeer.



14. Hang the reindeer up using the screw at the top as the hanger. Use the small clothespins to clip Christmas cards to the ribbon to display.