XXL Winter birds

Instructions No. 2944

Difficulty: Beginner

Working time: 3 Hours

These cute **Christmas birds** with their big eyes conjure up a beautiful decoration in your home. No matter where they hang, they are always an eye-catcher.
The birds can be made in no time at all with just a few materials and look great too.
In these instructions, we show you how to make these wintry birds.



How to make the cute birds:

1. To begin with, the polystyrene balls with a diameter of Ø 20 cm are glued together with VBS handicraft glue glued together. You can then paint the large and small polystyrene balls with gray-brown and golden handicraft paint .
Important: It is best to apply 3 coats so that the paint covers well. The individual layers of paint should always be completely dry before applying another one.
Tip: To keep your hands clean, you can stick a bamboo skewer into the polystyrene ball and then paint the balls.

2. Print out the templates and cut them out. transfer them to the craft felt using a sublimat pen, for example. Cut out all the parts with sharp scissors.

3. After the polystyrene balls have dried, glue a large and a small ball together. If you use handicraft glue , it will

take some time for the balls to stick together. If you use hot glue, be careful not to apply the glue too hot, otherwise it will burn into the polystyrene .

4. Now glue on the bird hats. To do this, apply some hot glue to the straight edge and roll the felt into a bag.
Tip: Do not go all the way to the tip of the hat with the glue. This will prevent you from burning yourself with the hot glue and keep the edges clean.

Then cut an approx. 1 cm wide strip of from felt and glue it around the brim of the hat. Fold the tip over slightly and glue it on with a dot of hot glue. Pierce the felt hat with a needle and thread so that you can hang the birds up later. Now fix the hat to the head with some hot glue.

5. Apply some glue to the eyes, beak and wings and stick them to the polystyrene balls. Then draw on the pupils with a black pen (e.g. acrylic marker).

6. Finally, cut an 8 cm wide piece from the short side of the craft felt and tie it around the birds' necks with a simple knot. Trim any ends that are too long and cut fringes into them. A great scarf is finished!
Your funny Christmas birds are ready and can be given a great place in your home.

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650120-25	VBS Craft felt, 20 x 30 cmOrange	1
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650120-38	VBS Craft felt, 20 x 30 cmWhite	1
560078-01	VBS Craft paint, 15 mlGold (unfortunately sold out)	1
347556	KREUL Disappearing ink pen	1
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51163	Hot glue gun, 15-80 Watt	1
27568	VBS Handicraft glue20 ml	1
650120-30	VBS Craft felt, 20 x 30 cmBrown	1
600231	Polystyrene ball, Ø 20 cm, 2 parts	1
650144-41	VBS Handicraft felt, 45 x 100 cmRed	1
650144-33	VBS Handicraft felt, 45 x 100 cmDark Green	1
650144-38	VBS Handicraft felt, 45 x 100 cmWhite	1
27487	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlGrey Brown	1
27469	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlBeige	1
27861	VBS Acrylic metallicGold	1
600217	Polystyrene ball, Ø 12 cm	1