



Fall-O-Ween Treat Jar

SUPPLIES:

- Scraps of orange, gold, green, brown and red hand dyed, felted wool
- Embroidery floss to match or contrast
- 1-gallon jar with lid
- 3/4 yard 2 1/2" wide jute webbing
- Twigs or pieces of grapevine
- Tag, ribbon, black safety pin
- Black paint (use to paint the lid if it's shiny)

WHAT TO DO:

- Make freezer paper templates by tracing the shapes on to the paper side of the freezer paper. Press the wax side to wool and cut out the shape. Templates can be used more than once.
- Cut: 2-large orange leaves, 2-small gold leaves, 2-green acorn bottoms, 2-brown acorn tops, 1-red flower, 1-gold circle.
- To stitch leaves, working with the top leaf, break pieces of twigs to fit as leaf veins. Attach with an overcast stitch and two strands of bright green floss. Put the bottom and top leaf shapes together and stitch through all layers with two strands of matching floss, using a running stitch.
- To make acorns, overlap the acorn top and the bottom by 1/4". On the top acorn, stitch through all layers with gold thread and a X stitch. Make a hatch mark (#) on the left side of the acorn. On the back piece, whip stitch the top and bottom pieces together. It should be reversed from the front acorn.
- Attach a small twig with green floss to the acorn top with an over cast stitch. Center the circle on the flower and stitch to the acorn with two strands of brown floss and three X stitches.
- Put the acorn top and back, wrong sides together. Stitch with a running stitch and two strands of dark brown floss. You may have to trim the shapes to match.
- Wrap the jute webbing around the jar, overlapping the two ends by 1 1/2". Trim off the excess webbing. Blanket stitch the two cut ends with floss.
- Break 3-4 twigs into 9" pieces. Tie into a bundle.
- Lay the leaves and acorn on top of the bundle, arranging so it lays nicely. Pin it to the webbing and try it on the jar to see how it looks. Pin shapes together. Stitch through the leaf stems first and then stitch the acorn to the leaves, stitching through the back only and not going through the front. Stitch to the twig bundle next, then to the jute webbing. You only need enough stitches to anchor the shapes. Big stitches are just fine.
- Wrap around the jar again and secure with a black safety pin. You could also use loop and hook tape, or simply stitch together along the cut edge.
- Cut a tag from black chipboard. Print 'treats' or some other phrase on to the tag with chalk. Add a piece of ribbon to the tag and tie around the top.
- Fill with your favorite Autumn treat or with Fall items that you find on a walk. My jar is filled with a family favorite ... candy corn and peanuts mixed!
- Make jars for gifts for your friends or your kids teachers.
- Enjoy the Fall-O-Ween season!!