



Handmade Seasonal Trees

You will be building Seasonal trees with fine detailing. The trees can be used for model railroading, war games, and many more things.



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Tools

Drill

Scissors

Wire Cutters

Vice

Materials

Coarse Turf Assorted Colors

Hobby Wire

Thin Straw or Sheath

Gardening Twine or hemp

Brown Spray Paint

Green Spray Paint

Spray Adhesive (Optional 3M Super 773M Super 77)

Hair Spray



1. We began off by folding the wire in half.



2. Give a few twists in the folded wire by wrapping the two ends around each other.



3. Clamp the open end of the folded wire about 1 cm in a vice and tightened while keeping it folded end exposed.



4. The folded end of the wire is called the eye which we want to keep.



5. Cut a piece of hemp or gardening twine about 6 to 7 cm in length.



6. Split the hemp or twine by giving it a gentle twist and pulling them apart and the twine will fall apart as shown



7. Place the unwoven twine through the eye and slide it while shifting the twine down the wire towards the vice .



8. Continue to place the twine in the wire until the wire is full.



9. With the drill clamp the eye of the wire in the chuck of the drill. Slowly begin to wind the wire up with the drill. The tree will begin to take shape the more you wind it up. When the wire is completely wound up the twine will be locked in between the wire. When the tree is completed wind up and remove from the chuck of the drill and the vice.



10. Cut the eye off the wire with wire cutters and cut to a desired length of the tree you want.



11. Trim the tree with shears and mold the tree with your hand to a desired shape.



12. Cut a small piece of a thin straw or a sheath to slide over the trunk of the tree while placing a drop of glue inside the straw or sheath before you slide it on the tree.



13. The trees are now ready. Place the trees in a block so you can hold it for spray painting.



14. You need green and brown spray paint. You are now ready to paint.



15. Spray a coat of brown spray paint on the trees and let it dry.



16. Spray a coat of green spray paint on the trees and let it dry.



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Products



Medium Green Coarse Turf

Light Green Coarse Turf

Yellow Grass Coarse Turf

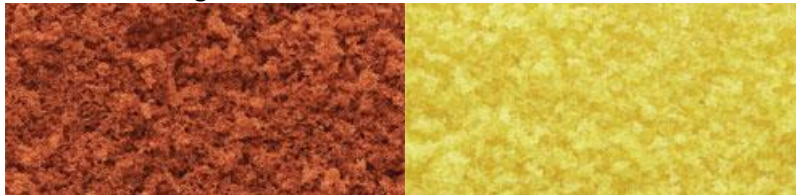


Earth Coarse Turf



Fall Orange Coarse Turf

Fall Red Coarse Turf



Fall Rust Coarse Turf

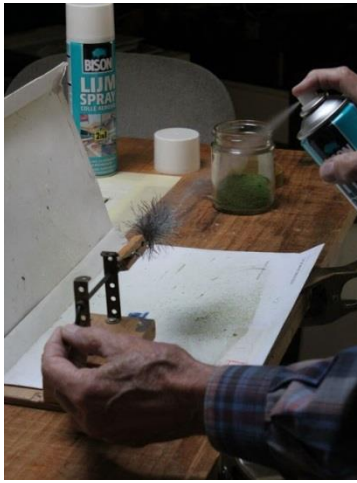
Fall Yellow Coarse Turf



17. Prepare the tree for the spray adhesive (3M 77 spray adhesive)

and

the color for your tree. These are some of the samples that you can use for your trees. You can always change and mix the color and the coarseness of your turf for different textures.



18. Apply a coat of adhesive spray on the tree.



19. Place aside the coarse turf of any color of your choice for your tree. While holding the stem of the tree grab some turf and sprinkle it over the tree while turning it. If you find the turf was not holding spray another coat of adhesive spray and repeat with the turf. As you continue the tree will take its shape.



20. Now that your tree is almost complete you want to use a coat of hairspray to protect the tree for a long time and hold the turf together.



21. Your tree is now complete.



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