

Fairy Door Tutorial



MATERIALS:

- POPSICLE STICKS OR CRAFT WOOD SLATS
- HOT GLUE OR WOOD GLUE
- PAINT OR STAIN
- SMALL EMBELLISHMENTS: MOSS, BUTTONS, BEADS, HINGES, STICKS, BARK
- (OPTIONAL) TINY NAMEPLATES, SCROLLS, OR QR TAG
- (OPTIONAL) FOAM OR VINES FOR FRAMING

1. CARVE, GLUE

LAY YOUR STICKS SIDE BY SIDE, GLUE THEM TOGETHER HORIZONTALLY OR VERTICALLY. CUT DIAGONALS FOR A CLASSIC ARCH OR LEAVE THEM SQUARE FOR A RUSTIC LOOK.

2. FRAMING

FOR EXTRA IMMERSION, GLUE FOAM "STONES" OR WIRE-WRAPPED VINES AROUND THE EDGE LIKE A DOORFRAME. EVEN SMALL PIECES OF DRIFTWOOD OR TWIGS CAN WORK WELL FOR THIS.

3. PAINT

PAINT OR STAIN AS DESIRED; ACRYLIC CRAFT PAINT WORKS GREAT FOR THIS, AND COMES IN AMAZING COLORS. YOU CAN USE PAINT TO MAKE THE DOORS LOOK NEW OR WEATHERED.

4. 5. EMBELLISH & DECORATE

ADD MOSS, BEADS, TINY KNOBS, OR VINES. I USED POLYMER CLAY FOR THIS TO ADD HINGES AND DOORKNOBS, BUT I'VE ALSO SEEN FURNITURE TACKS AND BEADS USED AS HANDLES, AND THEY ALSO LOOK GREAT!

6. PLACE AND DELIGHT!

LEAN YOUR DOOR AGAINST A TREE TRUNK, THE BASE OF YOUR GARDEN BEDS, OR SNEAK ONE INTO THE HOLLOW OF A CITY PLANTER. IF YOU'VE USED ANY PAPER PRODUCTS FOR WATER SOLUBLE GLUES, CONSIDER TUCKING YOUR DOOR A LITTLE INTO THE SHELTER OF A TREE HOLLOW OR MAKING IT AN INSIDE DOOR ONLY, TO PROTECT IT FROM WEATHER.



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