

Folk Art Floral Bouquet

You Will Be A Needin':

Muslin
Cream felt
Stuffing
Paint: Coffee Bean acrylic paint (brown), Real Blue,
Parchment (light yellow), Red Apple., and Purple Lilac
Paintbrushes
Mod Podge - Matte
Hot glue gun and glue sticks
Basket/pocket/etc. for base (vase)
Assorted greenery
20-gauge wire
wire cutters
pliers
Brown floral tape
Sandpaper

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Read through all directions before beginning. For illustrations of the different steps and techniques as well as the stitches visit my "Stitch 'n' Stuff" page on my website at <http://www.lilliemaescrafts.com>

Directions for Roses (red) and Tulips (blue):

1. Print and cut out flower patterns (tulips and roses).
2. Trace on double muslin; do NOT cut out.
3. Sew on traced lines; do NOT leave an opening.
4. Cut out about 1/4 inch away from sewn lines. On center of back, cut a small slit for turning. Turn.
5. Stuff each lightly as you will be sewing the lines on the flowers so don't overstuff. Sew openings closed.
6. Looking at each pattern, sew on dotted lines.
7. Paint: Tulips - blue.....Roses - red. Let dry thoroughly. Apply a second coat if desired.
8. Very lightly brush on a coat of coffee bean paint over each of the flowers and wipe excess off with dry cloth. Let dry thoroughly. (This gives each flower an antique or vintage appearance.)
9. Sand lightly.
10. Paint each flower, front and back, with 2 coats of Mod Podge letting dry thoroughly between coats. Sand lightly when completely dry.
11. With wire cutters, measure and cut wire for stems at desired length (you will want 2 wire stems for each flower). Folk the wire in half and twist together. Wrap each stem with brown floral tape. Glue to back of each flower and arrange in your desired basket or container.

Directions for Violets (purple):

1. Print and cut out violet pattern including the small circle next to it which is the center of the violet.
2. Trace violet patterns on double cream felt; do NOT cut out.
3. Sew on traced lines; do NOT leave an opening.
4. Cut out about 1/4 inch away from sewn lines. On center of back, cut a small slit for turning. Turn.
5. Stuff lightly. Sew opening closed.
6. From back with matching thread, make an "x" in the center of each violet pulling the thread taut.
7. Paint front and back with purple lilac acrylic paint; let dry thoroughly.
8. Very lightly brush on a coat of coffee bean paint. Let dry thoroughly. (This gives each flower an antique or vintage appearance.)
9. Paint front and back with one coat of Mod Podge; let dry thoroughly.

10. Trace the violet centers on single layer cream felt; cut out. Paint with parchment acrylic paint (light yellow); let dry thoroughly. Lightly brush on a little coffee bean (brown) paint; let dry thoroughly. Paint with one coat of Mod Podge; let dry thoroughly. Glue to center of each violet.
11. With wire cutters, measure and cut wire for stems at desired length (you will want 2 wire stems for each flower). Fork the wire in half and twist together. Wrap each stem with brown floral tape. Glue to back of each flower and arrange in your desired basket or container.

You're done with Folk Art Floral Bouquet. I hope you enjoyed making it as much as I enjoyed designing it. If you have any problems or questions at all, please don't hesitate to email me or visit my "Stitch 'n' Stuff" page at <http://www.lilliemaescrafts.com>

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