



Paper Strip Bauble

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By Marianne Miall 745.5 Mia

Kit includes:

- Decorative paper cut into 6 strips 8.75 x .75
- Pipe cleaner
- 2 decorative beads
- Cotton string for hanger

You'll also need:

- scissors
- Sharp nail, large needle, or awl to pierce paper

Optional:

Other decorative add-ons like tassel or charm.

Cutting mat or board

Instructions:

Stack the strips and mark the center, as well as each end with a pencil.



Gently pierce a hole through all layers where you've marked. This is best done on a cutting mat, or piece of board like a cutting board.

Thread pipe cleaner through center hole. About 1/2 inch will be on the patterned side of the papers. The rest of pipe cleaner will stick out from the white (or backside) of the stacked papers.

Place a bead on the short end and fold the pipe cleaner into a ball to secure the bead.

At the long end of pipe cleaner, gently bend the paper into a crescent shape and begin threading the ends of the paper strip. Alternate sides as you layer.

When all of the strips are on the pipe cleaner, add a bead. Then fold the remaining pipe cleaner into a small loop. Add string for hanging.

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Kit includes:

- 16 inch ribbon
- Embroidery needle
- Needle threader
- Embroidery thread for tree, and for hanging loop
- Ribbon, beads, bell and tree topper

You'll also need:

- Scissors
- Patience :-)

Optional:

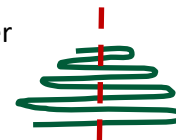
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Instructions:

Thread the needle with embroidery thread.

Tie the end of the thread to the bell. Thread the first bead.

Fold up the ribbon into a general tree shape. Finger press.



Begin at the bottom, widest part of your ribbon tree. Thread through the center of the ribbon. Add a bead. Thread through the center of the next fold of ribbon. Add a bead. Continue this, making sure the ribbon is making a tree shape.

At the top, there may be extra ribbon left to trim. Top with a final bead and a tree topper.

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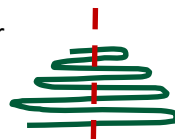
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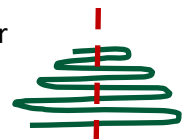
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