

Wreath Making Instructions



Supplies:

- Gloves (optional)
- Paddle wire
- 12" wreath ring
- 4-5# greens
- Special decoration: ribbon, pine cones, dried flowers or seed pods
- Clippers (or something to cut greens and wire).

Step 1.

- Select your greens. You will need approximately 5# for a 12" wreath ring.
 - Noble Fir* adds bulk to a wreath, a perfect base.
 - Doug Fir* is also a great base for bulk (not as fluffy as Noble Fir).
 - Juniper* adds a blue tone and great accent with the berries.
 - Pine* adds a fine blue texture.
 - Cedar* adds a lacey effect.
 - Holly* has a bold shiny texture. The berries can turn black indoors.
 - Statice*, fruit and cut flowers add pizzazz.
- Cut your greens into 3-5" pieces.

Step 2.

- ❖ Wrap paddle wire a couple of times around one spot on the wire ring, moving from outside to inside of ring hole. This will anchor wire to ring.
- Layer a bundle of cut greens (5 stems approx. 4" long) to the wreath frame & wrap twice with the paddle wire, pulling tight. Your bundles can be a single type of green or a mix.

Step 3.

- ❖ Gather a second bundle of the same size greens and layer closely on top of the first bundle. Make sure you cover the stems of the previous bunch. Wrap two to three times with paddle wire.
- For a creative flair, you can use different greens in consecutive bundles. For example, your first bundle is Noble Fir and Juniper, your second bundle is Noble Fir and Pine.

Step 4.

- ❖ Repeat Step #2 until the ring is covered.
- ❖ Slip the last bundle under the first. Secure last bundle with extra wire. Cut the wire from the paddle. Make a wire loop around the back side of the wreath to hang it.
- If keeping indoors, spray with a preservative.
- Decorate with cones, a bow or ornaments using paddle wire to secure to the wire frame.

Some of our favorite combinations include:

- Noble Fir, Juniper and Evergreen huckleberry
- Doug Fir, Port Orford Cedar and Eucalyptus
- Noble Fir, Pine and Western Red Cedar
- Variegated Holly, Statice and Pine
- Curly willow and eucalyptus pods.



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