

CountrySampler

Pot Lid Snowman

Repurpose cast-off pot lids as an adorable seasonal accent with a little paint and creativity.

Materials and Tools

3 aluminum pot lids, graduated sizes
Soft white chalky-finish paint
2 short screws or paper fasteners
2 same-size straight tree branches
Pop tab or short length of twine
4 black buttons
Snowman face graphic, printed on white paper
Decoupage medium

Burlap fabric
1 pair of infant-size mittens
Knit winter hat
Paintbrushes
Hot glue gun and glue sticks
Drill
Screwdriver
Scissors

Instructions

1. Remove handles from the pot lids, if desired, and discard. Dry brush the pot lids with white paint and let dry.
2. Connect the three lids together. Overlap each lid slightly onto the one under it, drill a small hole straight through both lids, insert a screw and tighten with a screwdriver. Alternately, insert a paper fastener through each hole instead of a screw.
3. Turn the snowman to the back side and hot glue the branches in place for arms. Glue a pop tab or loop of twine to the top lid as a hanger. Let dry.
4. Turn the snowman to the front side and glue down the buttons.
5. Trim the snowman face graphic to fit the center of the smallest lid. Brush decoupage medium onto the lid and press the paper in place. Apply a topcoat of decoupage medium to seal the paper. Let dry.
6. Cut a strip of burlap for the scarf and pull threads to fray the edges. Knot the scarf around the snowman's neck and trim any excess.
7. Dab glue onto the ends of the branches and slide on the mittens. Slip the hat on the top lid and glue in place if needed.

Handy Hint: Create holes in the lids with a hammer and a nail if you don't have a drill.

