

"Spooky" and "Thankful" Reversible Clothespin Wreaths

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Spooky Wreath

Supplies used: 12" Wire Wreath Frame; 54 standard 3" wooden clothespins; Notable Alphabet & Party Pennants (from July My Paper Pumpkin kit) stamp sets; Witches' Brew DSP; Basic Black, Pumpkin Pie, Old Olive & Very Vanilla CS; Whisper White Craft, Basic Black, Smoky Slate, Summer Starfruit & Pumpkin Pie inks; Witches' Brew Washi Tape; Mini Clothespins; Craft Twine; Pumpkin Pie Glitter; Wide Oval & Bat (retired) Punches; Little Leaves Sizzlet; Hearts A Flutter framelits.

To begin, go ahead and clip all 54 clothespins to your wreath frame, by clipping each one to the two inner wire rings, so that the pins cover the rest of the wire base.

Cut 54 - 3" x 3/8" strips from 6 different DSP designs, so that you have 9 strips from each design. (Done for you in class!) Glue strips down to each clothespin, one pattern at a time, going every 6 pins all the way around, til all pins are covered. Go ahead and give the clothespins a

quick coat of Modge Podge, if desired, and set wreath aside to dry while you finish the accessories.

Banner: From Very Vanilla, cut 6 banner shapes using the Hearts A Flutter framelits (done for you in class!) Stamp each banner in either Smoky Slate, Summer Starfruit or Pumpkin Pie with a different Party Pennants background stamp. Wrap the upper edge of each banner with a different Witches' Brew washi tape pattern, and then stamp each "Spooky" letter using Notable alphabet, in Basic Black. Cut a piece of craft twine to length, and clip each banner in place, for suspending from the wreath as shown.

Medallion: Score (done for you in class!) and accordion-fold 2 - 2" x 12" strips of Witches' Brew DSP, and glue into a ring end to end. Using a hot glue gun and a silicone mat, form ring into a medallion. Paint the edges of the medallion with Modge Podge, and run through Pumpkin Glitter tub, to add sparkle to the edges.

Punch 4 Wide Oval Shapes from Pumpkin Pie (done for you in class!) and lightly sponge edges of each oval with basic black. Glue three together in a staggered row, as shown, and then glue the last one to the opposite side of the top oval, creating a "pumpkin" look. Cut a Little Leaves shape in Old Olive and adhere to pumpkin front, folding and adhering stem over to back, as shown. Cut an Early Espresso pumpkin stem from scrap and adhere so that a little stub shows at the top. Punch a Bat from Basic Black and sponge edges lightly with Whisper White craft ink. Pop dot to pumpkin front as shown. Adhere to medallion.

Tie a bow from 1/4" Pumpkin Pie grosgrain, and hot glue to medallion at top. Cut and tie a hanging loop from craft twine and hot glue to back of medallion at the bow.

Thankful Wreath

Supplies used: 12" Wire Wreath Frame; 54 standard 3" wooden clothespins; Morning Post Alphabet, Wonderfall & Party Pennants (from July My Paper Pumpkin kit) stamp sets; Sweater Weather DSP; Chocolate Chip, Crushed Curry, Sahara Sand, Soft Sky, Tangerine Tango & Very Vanilla CS; Autumn Accents Bigz Die; Pretty Print, Woodgrain, Chevron & Lacy Brocade embossing folders; Hearts A Flutter & Chalk Talk framelits; 1/8" Circle Punch; Brushed Bronze buttons; Crumb Cake Tafetta Ribbon; Craft Twine.

Begin by turning over the clothespins from the "Spooky" side so that the unadorned side is exposed.

Cut 54 - 3" x 3/8" strips from 6 different DSP designs, so that you have 9 strips from each design. (Done for you in class!) Glue strips down to each clothespin, one pattern at a time, going every 6 pins all the way around, til all pins are covered. Go ahead and give the clothespins a quick coat of Modge Podge, if desired, and set wreath aside to dry while you finish the accessories.



Banner: Cut 8 each of the Scalloped Banner shape from Hearts A Flutter framelit set, in Very Vanilla (done for you in class!) Stamp each banner in Crumb Cake, Tangerine Tango or Crushed Curry with the background stamps from Party Pennants. Lightly sponge all around each banner piece with Tangerine Tango. Stamp a letter of "Thankful" on each banner piece. Punch a small hole in the two upper corners of each piece, and thread onto a cut length of Craft Twine. Make sure to tie off at least one corner of each piece so that the banner doesn't slide around on the cord. Tie loops in each end of the finished banner for hanging from the wreath.

Leaf Spray: Cut an assortment of leaves using Autumn Accents from the DSP, and colored cardstocks. Randomly emboss the CS leaves with the folder specified in the supply list above (done for you in class!) Lightly sponge each leaf with Chocolate Chip ink around all edges, and add some curl with a bone folder for dimension. Cut a base tag from the Chalk Talk framelit set, and thread a loop of Craft Twine for hanging through the opening. (Tag cut for you in class!) Arrange and adhere leaves to base tag so that tag is also entire covered. I used hot glue, but regular adhesive would also work just fine. Tie a box through a Brushed Bronze button with the Crumb Cake Tafetta Ribbon, and adhere to top of leaf spray, either with a glue dot or hot glue as you prefer.