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HOLLY JOLLY WREATH FOR CHRISTMAS



You will need

- Scissors, glue and string for hanging the wreath.
 - Cardboard ring approx 21cm
 - Paper: one A5 sheet in the colour of your bird; five green A4 sheets (can be different shades of green to be more realistic); one red A5 sheet.
- Optional:
- Feathers
 - Foil or tissue cut into small pieces
 - Ribbon

This beautiful arts and crafts wreath has lots for little ones, older children and adults to do together and will make a lovely festive decoration for your doors or windows.

A limited number of free activity packs are available to be collected from the William Morris Gallery on a first come, first serve basis.

1. Cut hand shapes out of the green paper to look like greenery - draw round your palm and fingers, then cut those out. These can be decorated with scribbly patterns to add feather-like textures. At least 10 hands would fit a 21 cm ring.
2. Arrange the hand shapes around the cardboard ring so that they're all facing the same way and glue them down.
3. Cut out red circles to make berries and put them in groups on your greenery.
4. Draw a bird shape on your coloured paper, cut out and glue to the wreath. If you're using feathers, glue these to the bird. For an easy way to draw a bird, draw a big smiley mouth, add a circle at one corner for the head and then a small triangle for the beak.
5. For extra pizzazz shower small pieces of foil or tissue over your wreath or add a ribbon tied in a bow. You can also add pine cones, dried oranges or cinnamon sticks.

The wreath is inspired by the Bird in Holly Tree wallpaper design made by Charles Voysey in the 1890s. Voysey was an Arts & Crafts designer who much admired the works of William Morris. Can you see the prickly holly leaves?

