

Rigid Wrap ~ Vintage Hot Air Balloon

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To start gather your supplies to work with Ridge Wrap: scissors, balloons (small water balloons), container for warm water, protective cover for table



Cut the Ridge Wrap in strips (about 1 1/2 x 4) and blow up balloons... you are now ready to start applying Ridge Wrap.



Wet Ridge Wrap thoroughly in the bowl of warm water, remove excess water. Slightly overlap each piece as you add them to the balloon. When applying, rub the Ridge Wrap to help close the plaster holes in the wrap.



Apply the first layer of Ridge Wrap in one direction. No need to let is dry before applying the second layer.

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Apply the second layer in a different direction. Here you can see the second layer at a slight angle.



When finished applying Ridge Wrap set aside to dry. Cut sections of a tube to rest the balloon on. In about 30 minutes you can remove the balloon.



Snip a little hole in the balloon and it will release from the sides. Remove the balloon and let dry over night.



One package of Ridge Wrap (roll 4" x 180") was able to cover 3 small balloons.

Now to decorate the balloon in a vintage style!

Supplies:

- Vintage Text
- Tacky Glue
- Paint Brush
- Acrylic Paints
- Trims & Twine
- Glitz Laced with Grace Paper Pack
- Dew Drops
- Petaloo Burlap Flowers
- Light Bulb Pins
- Lace

To create the text balloon cover it with vintage text from Altered Pages! Strips of Vintage Text Papers were torn in strips approximately 1/2 inches. For the length of strips: measure from the top of the balloon to the bottom add about an inch.



Using a non-food dish pour Tacky Glue and water it down...with a paint brush apply to the dry Activa Ridge Wrap balloon.



Starting at the top center apply strips of vintage text, tucking about 1 inch inside the opening of the balloon, over lap each strip as you add them.



Once the balloon is covered set it aside to dry!

Add trims to the balloon with Tacky Glue, when adding the trims be sure to add a hanger from the top center of the balloon.



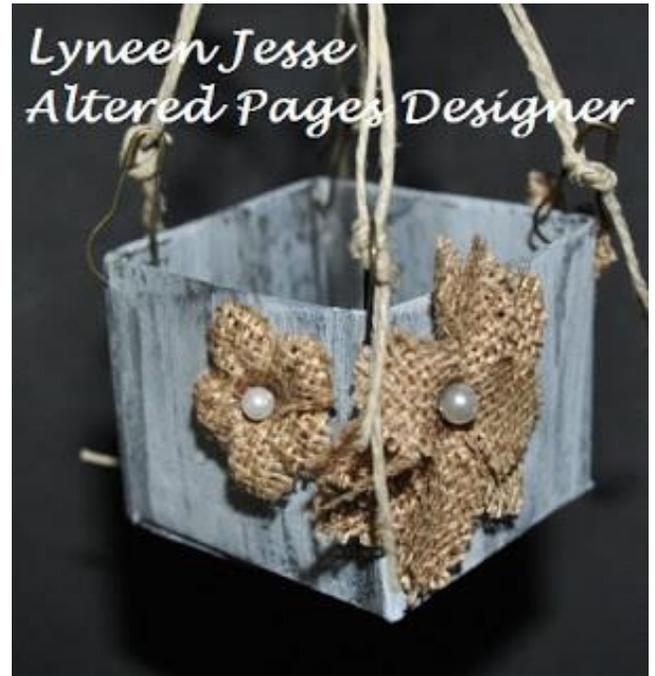
Make a small box for the balloon basket. Paint it with acrylic paints, dry. When dry punch small holes in the corners and put the light bulb pins through the holes. Add Petaloo Burlap flowers to the basket.



Punch banner flags from contrasting papers in the Laced with Grace paper pack, add Dew Drops to each flag, attach flags to lace



Tie twine to hold the basket: one piece around the top of the balloon and four pieces about a yard each to attach to the basket.



Once the twine has been tied off to the basket, attach the lace with banners to the balloon, add feathers and burlap flowers to the top.



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