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Tannenbaum Topiaries  
by Jackie Wynia/Studio Connection

### **Materials**

Krylon® Make It Stone!® - Charcoal Sand (#18202)

Krylon® Make It Last!® Clear Sealer (#18200)

Krylon® Glitter Spray - Red (#403) or Green (#404)

Krylon® Crafter's Gold (#1110)

6 clay flowerpot

Styrofoam® brick

4 in. x 15 in. Styrofoam® cone

Spanish moss

Green moss

### **General Supplies**

Hot glue gun

Glue sticks

Scissors

Floral wire

Wire cutters

*For magnolia topiary:* 12 small magnolias, 5 yds. 1 1/2 in. wide wire-edged red ribbon.

*For beaded topiary:* 2 yds. red 3mm strung beads, 24 gauge gold beading wire, several dozen assorted pearls and beads, 1 1/2 yds. 1/2 in. wire-edged gold ribbon.

*For potpourri topiary:* 4 clay flower pot, 3 in. x 12 in. Styrofoam® cone, 2.25 qt. dry potpourri, 18 - 1/2 in. wide gold metallic ribbon.

### **Instructions**

1. Paint flowerpot with Charcoal Sand, following manufacturer's instructions. Let dry.
2. Protect flowerpot with Clear Sealer. Let dry.
3. Fill flowerpot with Styrofoam (cut brick to fit), securing with hot glue. Cover with spanish moss and glue in place.
4. Glue green moss to foam cone. Glue cone base to flower pot.
5. Glue magnolias and leaves to moss covered cone (refer to photo).

6. Attach ribbon to topiary with hot glue. Use floral wire to create loops of ribbon and secure end of wire into cone.
7. Mist the ends of magnolias and leaves with Glitter Spray. Let dry.

*Beaded topiary:* Follow instructions 1 - 3 above. Lightly mist green moss with Glitter Spray. Let dry. Wrap string of red beads loosely around topiary, tack with hot glue. String combinations of pearls and beads onto gold beading wire. Work with 1 yard of wire at a time, 2 - 3 lengths of beaded wire is sufficient for topiary. To secure beads in place on wire, simply bend or twist wire around beads. Loosely wrap wire around topiary. Create a multi-looped bow with ribbon and glue to top of topiary.

*Potpourri topiary:* Follow instructions 1 & 2 above. Glue potpourri to cone. Work in small 2 in. x 2 in. areas. Let dry before gluing next area. Mist potpourri with Crafter's Gold. Let dry. Glue base of topiary to flower pot. Tie ribbon around rim of pot. Tack with glue.

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