

Downeast Thunder Farm Petal Christmas Tree

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Supplies:

- Pressboard or paper mache cone (my cone is 7" tall x 2.75" diameter)
- Six colors of felt plus matching floss for the petals
- White felt for the star plus matching floss
- Hot glue gun and glue sticks

Instructions:

Notes: These instructions apply to a 7" x 2.75" cone. Adjust the number of petals as necessary to work for your size cone. Use two strands of floss throughout.

- You'll need eight sets of finished petals in each color. Cut out 16 pieces from each of your six colors. You may need more/less depending on your cone size.
- Sew all the petal sets together using a blanket stitch.
- From the bottom of the cone, mark the following measurements as guides—1.5", 2.5", 3.5", 4.5", 5.5", and 6.5". Make a mark 1/8" from the top of the cone. These will be your guides for each row of petals. If you're working from a different cone size, I overlap the petals by 1-inch.
- To glue your petals, place one dollop of hot glue just below the guideline and press your petal into place. Continue around the cone until you've glued 10 petals along the guideline. Continue with your other layers for a total of six rows of petals. Begin each new row of petals overlapping the seam between two lower petals.
- Sew the star with a white blanket stitch leaving the bottom open. Position your star on top securing with a small spot of glue on the cone on either side of the star.
- Make this your own—embellish your petals with beads, or metallic floss. Let your imagination be your guide!

Have fun! *Juan*

