

## 12" Wooly Tree Directions

### Materials:

Three 2-3/4" by full width strips of washed light to medium weight wool for die cut fringe or six 1-1/4" strips if hand fringing.

Ten 16" paper wrapped 18g floral wires

One 1/4" or 3/8" by 12" dowel

Floral tape

Tacky glue, Scissors, Wire cutter, Mini clips, hot glue

Cups to sort branch sizes

Tree Base

Star and other decorations

Fringe wool. For hand fringed wool, snip every 1/4" leaving 1/4" unsnipped.

### Cut wires to get:

3 2.5"

4 3"

6 3.5"

5 4"

6 4.5"

6 5"

7 5.5"

I cut the 10 wires like this:

5.5" – 5.5" – 5"

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5" – 4.5" – 4" – 2.5"

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Mark each wire 1" from the end. This part of the wire will remain unwrapped by the wool fringe. Sort wires by length into cups with the sizes marked on them.

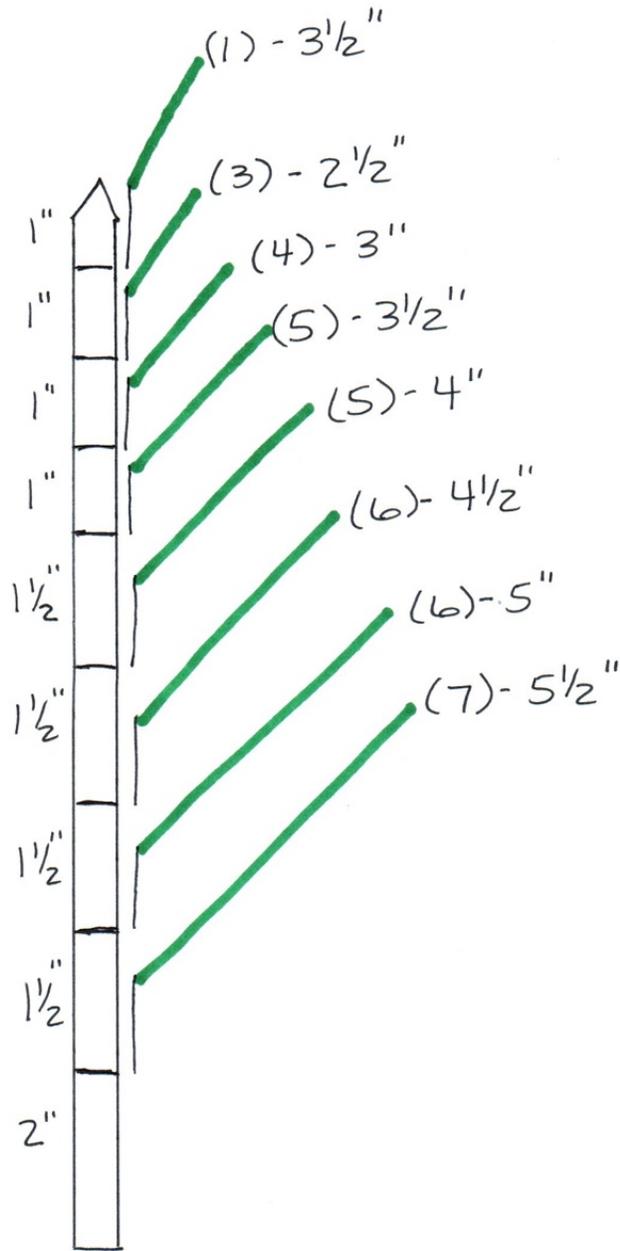
Sharpen the top of the dowel and mark it 1" from the top then mark down 1", 1", 1", 1.5", 1.5", 1.5", 1.5". There will be 2" left at the bottom of the dowel.

Working with the longest wire lengths first, apply tacky glue or hot glue to the first two fringes and sandwich the top of the wire between them. If you are using tacky glue, clip the fringe on the wire until the glue sets. I place the wires back in their cup to keep the different sizes separate. Using glue on the wire, twirl the wool on the wire down to the 1" mark. Clip (if using tacky glue) and cut off the excess wool fringe. For tacky glue, the idea is to give the glue a little time to set but not too much time or the clip will be difficult to remove.

Place one 3.5" branch at the top of the tree using a small amount of tacky glue and floral tape on the bare wire. The bottom of this wire sits at the first mark on the dowel. Wrap floral tape down to the next mark. Glue the three 2.5" branches at this mark and wrap them with floral tape moving up to the top edge of the bare wire then down to the next mark. Repeat with the remaining branches, spacing the branches around the trunk. Continue wrapping floral tape to the bottom of the dowel.

Let the glue set a bit, then bend out the branches, secure the tree in a base, and decorate.

# 12" Tree



1/4" Dowel

# 18" TREE

