

DIY Yarn Pumpkins



Supplies

- Foam Pumpkins
- Assorted thick yarn
- Small tree branch pieces for stems (you can also use cinnamon sticks!)
- Apple corer
- Scissors
- Quarter
- Tapestry needle

Directions

*Please note: steps 1-5 have been done for you if you are completing this craft at the library.

1. Take the plastic stem out of the pumpkin.
2. Place a quarter over the stem hole – it's the size of the hole you'll want for the yarn. Thicker yarns and faux fur yarns will require a bigger hole.
3. Draw around the circumference of the quarter to mark your hole.
4. Using your apple corer, dig a circumference down about halfway or more.
5. Flip the pumpkin and dig from the other side. No need for the quarter – just eyeball it. If your foam starts breaking up while you're digging, just pull it out. When you've broken through, simply push the rest of the foam out with a finger until you have a clean hole through your pumpkin.

6. Measure and cut about 3-4 feet of yarn. If you're using thicker yarns or faux fur yarns, then make that cut at about 6-8 feet just to be on the safe side. Grab an end, tie a knot and thread the other side of the yarn through the tapestry needle.
7. Grab the needle and pull the yarn through the hole. Stop before the knot goes through the hole in the pumpkin.
8. Keep wrapping your yarn around the pumpkin, threading the needle in and out of the pumpkin hole.
9. When you've covered the entire pumpkin, trim the first end and tuck it into the hole. Repeat for the second end.
10. Grab your stick piece and push it in.
11. Enjoy your pumpkin!