



FLOWERED HAIR WREATHS

We're lucky to have a wide variety of exotic and colorful flowers available for use at our local florist. Mem would have been able to use only flowers that grew around Plymouth settlement. If you're feeling particularly authentic, try using flowers that grow in your yard or neighborhood.

Things You'll Need:

Drop cloth or newspapers
Ribbons
Wire wreath frame
Scissors
Craft wire
Dried flowers and foliage
Extra Firm Hold Hairspray

Directions:

Lay out newspaper or a drop cloth; this is a messy job! Gather your foliage. Suggestions include magnolia, oak, cushion bush, asparagus fern, and bay laurel. Then select your dried flowers such as lavender, hydrangea, seafoam statice, and straw flowers. You want all of your flowers and foliage to be around 6 inches long; trim and cut where necessary.

Attach the craft wire to the wreath frame by bending one edge around the frame. Select several stems of the foliage and place them together in a bunch, with the ends all facing the same direction. Next, add dried flowers on top of the bundled foliage. Place the bundle onto the floral frame where the wire is connected. Hold the bundle in place and wrap the wire around the flowers and foliage as well as the frame. You will need two hands for this, one to hold the bundle, the other to wrap the wire.

Wrap the floral wire around the bundle twice, and then pull tightly. Make sure to leave the wire attached to the frame, for you have a long way to go. Gather another bunch of foliage and flowers and lay it so the leaves overlap with the first bunch and cover the cut ends. Make sure the stems on both bunches are facing in the same direction.

Continue overlapping and wiring the bunches to the frame until you complete the circle. Tuck the final bundle under the first then wrap both tightly with the excess wire. Tie a knot in the wire and clip with scissors.

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When finished, give the wreath a spray with the hairspray. After you spray the wreath, tie ribbons around the area where you started. Leave the ends of the ribbon long so that they hang down your back when you wear the wreath.

Ask a grown-up for help when using knives and other sharp objects, and when using candles. Be sure to use pot holders when handling warm wax.

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