

# WREATH MAKING INSTRUCTIONS



## Supplies:

Gloves (optional)

Paddle wire

12" wreath ring

4-5# greens

Special decorations: ribbon, pine cones, dried flowers, seed pods, artificial flowers or berries, etc.

Clippers (or something to cut greens and wire).

## Step 1.

Select your greens. You will need approximately 5# for a 12" wreath ring.

*Noble Fir* adds bulk to a wreath, a perfect base.

*Doug Fir* is also a great base for bulk (not as fluffy as Noble Fir).

*Juniper* adds a blue tone and great accent with the berries.

*Pine* adds a fine blue texture.

*Cedar* adds a lacy effect.

*Holly* has a bold shiny texture, but the berries can turn black indoors.

*Statice*, fruit and cut flowers add pizzazz.

Cut your greens into 6-8" pieces.

## Step 2.

Wrap paddle wire a couple times around one spot on the wire ring, moving from outside to inside of ring hole. This will anchor the wire to the ring.

Layer a bundle of cut greens (5 stems approx. 6-8" long) to the wreath frame at a 45° angle and wrap twice with the paddle wire, pulling tight. Continue wrapping down to the end of the stems, about 2". Your bundles can be a single type of green or a mix.

## Step 3.

Layer a second bundle of greens, same size, on top of the first. Make sure you cover the stems of the previous bunch. Then wrap two to three times with paddle wire, and continue wrapping down to the ends of the stems.

For a creative flair, you can use different greens in consecutive bundles. For example, your first bundle is Noble Fir and Juniper, your second bundle is Noble Fir and Pine.

## Step 4.

Repeat Step #3 until the ring is covered.

Slip the last bundle under the first. Secure last bundle with extra wire. Cut the wire from the paddle and wrap the end around the frame to secure tightly. Make a wire loop around the back side of the wreath to hang it.

If desired decorate with cones, ornaments, or a bow using paddle wire to secure to the frame.

If keeping indoors, mist frequently with water to keep fresh.

## SOME OF OUR FAVORITE COMBINATIONS INCLUDE:

Noble Fir, Juniper, and Evergreen Huckleberry

Doug Fir, Port Orford Cedar, and Eucalyptus

Noble Fir, Pine, and Western Red Cedar

Variegated Holly, Statice, and Pine

Curly Willow and Eucalyptus Pods.