

Needle Felted Fungi



Toadstools and wild mushrooms grow all year round but the Autumn months, September to November, provide the ideal conditions for growth. I always associate them with Autumn and include them in many Autumnal makes. Here is a needle felted 'cluster', or 'troop' as they can also be known, to try out for September. They are a quicker felted make as quilting wadding has been used as the core, so less wear and tear for those with problematic hands and wrists. I might fool the neighbours and plant some outside; maybe they could attract magical garden creatures!

Materials/Instructions:

Included in *Needle Felted Fungi PDF*

Ideas to use below:

- Add a cluster of red and white fungi to a wreath. Attach with wire through the felted stalk and into the willow base at the back behind the greenery. Felt fabric will be glued over the wires at the back so they don't scratch a door/window/wall when hung.
- The 'earth' and 'smurf' fungi have been added to a matching teacup/saucer as whimsical home décor. Needle felt a core shape that fits inside the teacup then hot glue it in. Needle felt more fibres over this and at the bottom of the stalk to attach and secure.
- Fungi in small painted terracotta plant pots. Fill the plant pots with air dry clay and cover with reindeer moss. Feed wire into the bottom of the stalk (leaving a length to go into the clay), glue in. Glue the other end of the wire into the air dry clay.
- The box frame has a stone wall patterned background. Fungi, reindeer moss and fake ivy leaves have been arranged and attached using gel glue.



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