

LESSON NINE

CREPE PAPER ORANGE TREE



TOOLS & MATERIALS

TOOLS

- CUTTING MACHINE *(optional)*
- CRAFT SCISSORS
- DETAIL SCISSORS
- WIRE CUTTERS
- CURLING TOOL
- PAINTBRUSH
- BRAYER

MATERIALS

- DOUBLE-SIDED CREPE PAPER
– *Green Tea & Cypress*
- EXTRA-FINE CREPE PAPER
– *Poppy and Espresso*
- THICK STEM WIRE
- 18- GAUGE FLORAL WIRE
- BIND WIRE – BROWN
- BARELY ART GLUE
- MOD PODGE
- COTTON SPUN BALLS – *45mm*

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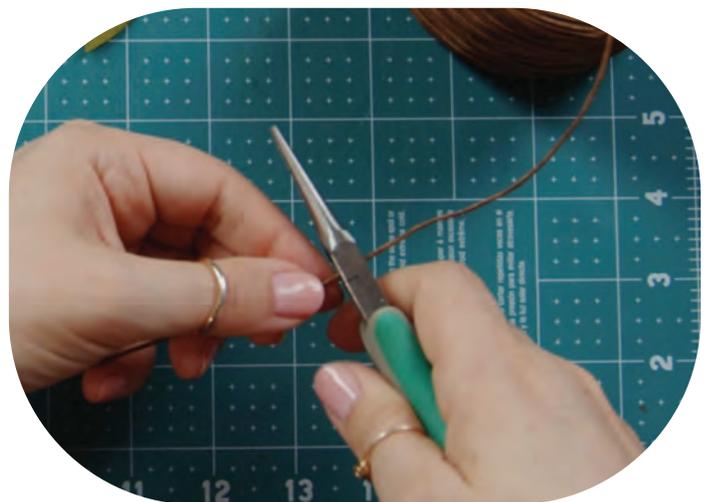
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- 1 Cut out the Orange Tree pieces from your crepe paper using the provided PDF template and scissors or the SVG file and a cutting machine with a rotary blade. The template has you cut enough pieces to make 40 leaves and 5 oranges for your tree. You can always cut more to make a larger or fuller tree!



- 2 Cut an 8 inch piece of bind wire for each leaf. You will need 40 pieces of bind wire.



- 3 Apply a line of glue to the straight edge of one leaf half.

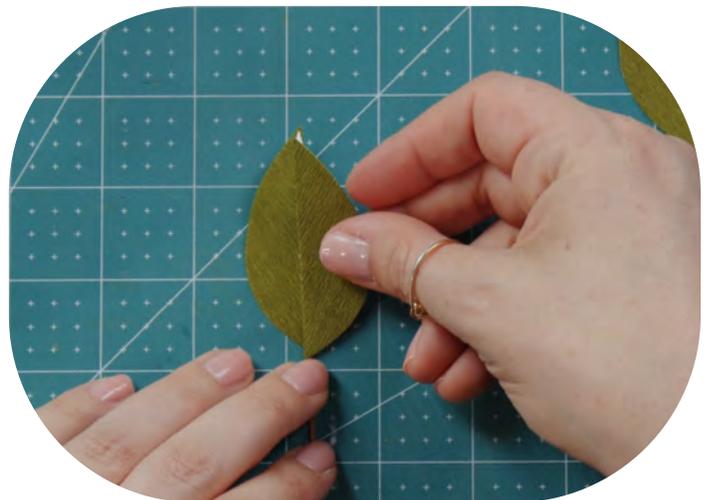


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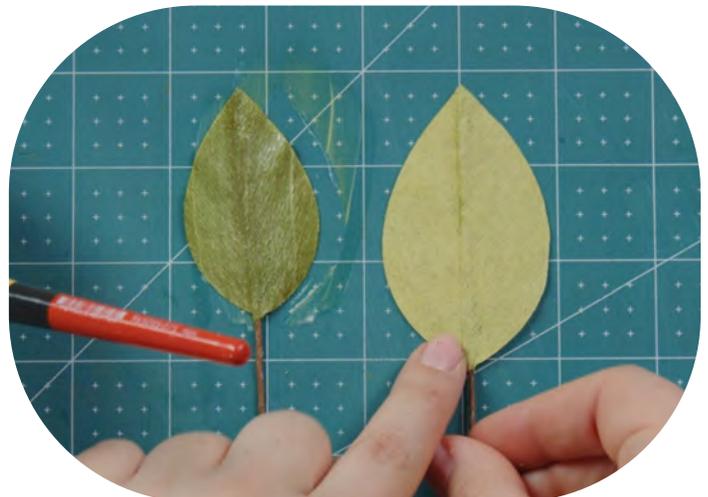
- ④ Lay a piece of bind wire on the glue, then apply glue over the top of the wire section that is on the leaf.



- ⑤ Lay the second leaf half on top of the wire, press over the wire with your fingers or use a brayer to secure it in place. You may need to trim the tip of the leaf back into a point. Repeat steps 3 - 5 with all 40 leaves.



- ⑥ Paint the dark green side of each leaf with a thin coat of mod podge using a paint brush.

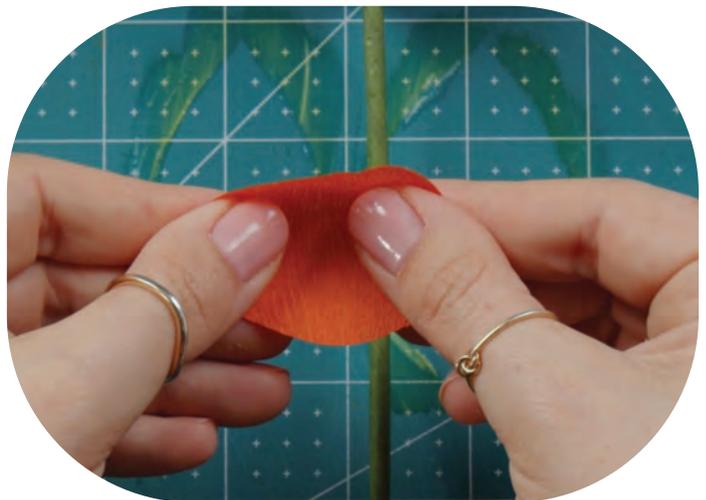


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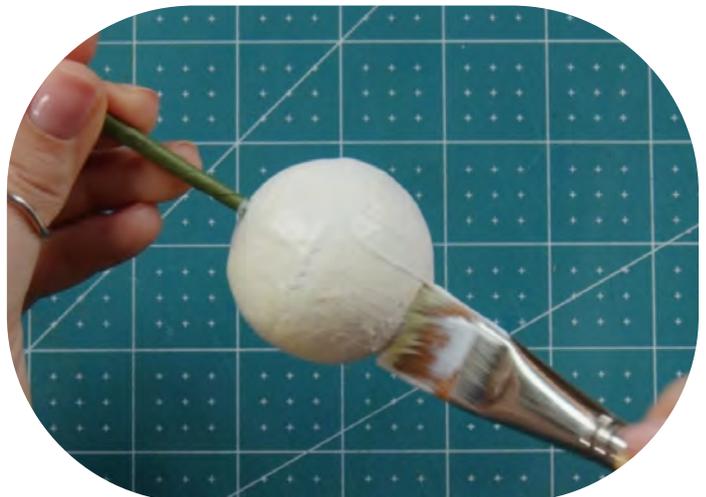
- ⑦ Place a Spun ball onto the tip of a thick stem wire, do not glue it in place.



- ⑧ Cup the center of each of the orange ball overs.



- ⑨ Apply mod podge to the surface of the ball using a paint brush.



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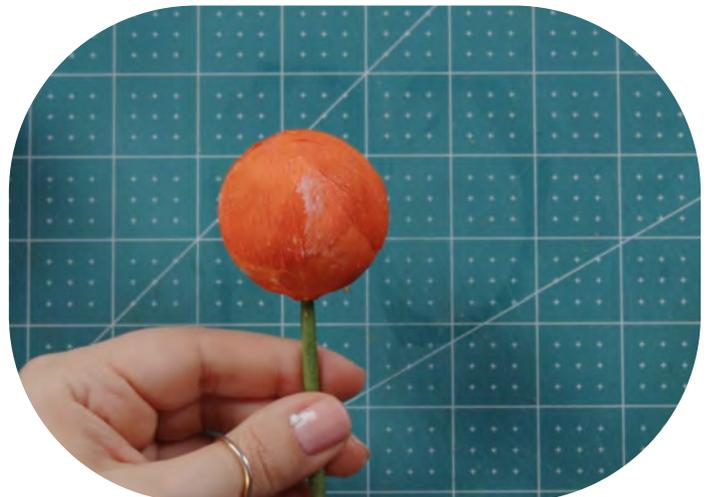
- ⑩ Place the first ball cover to the ball closest to the thick stem wire. As you are gluing the circles to the ball make sure the grain lines are all the same direction.



- ⑪ Apply the second piece right next to the first allowing the to overlap slightly.



- ⑫ Continue adding the circles until you have covered the entire ball. You will finish covering the ball before you run out of pieces, use your last few pieces to cover any thinner spots where the crepe paper never overlapped.

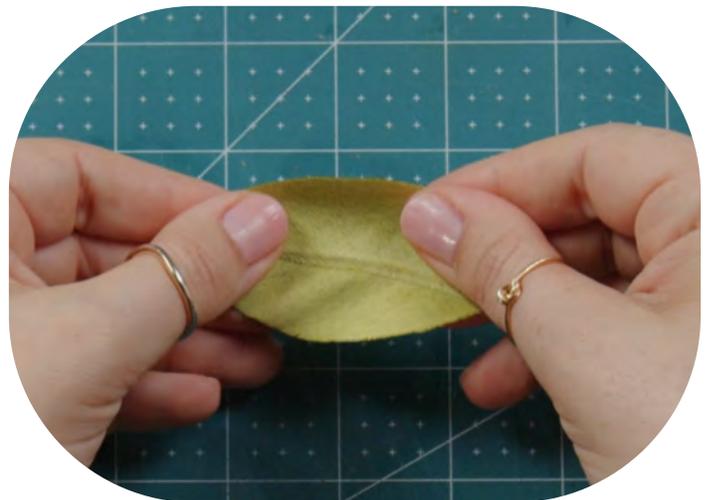


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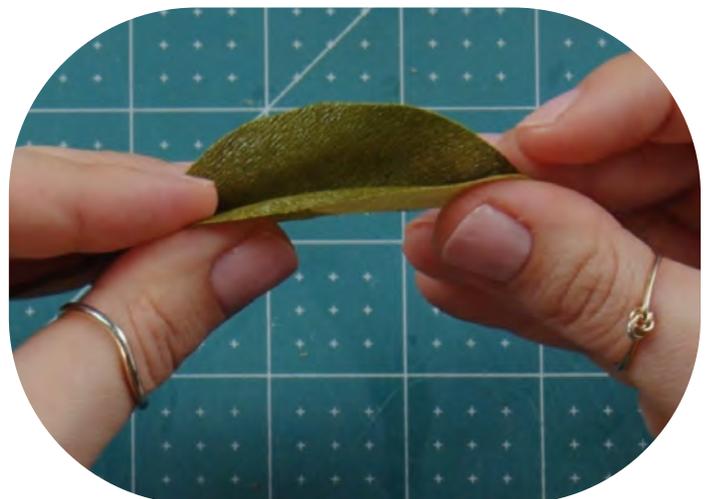
- 13 Once you have finished adding all 10 pieces paint a thin coat of mod podge over the entire orange. Repeat steps 7 - 13 to make all 5 oranges.



- 14 Once the mod podge has dried on your leaves you can shape them! With the light green side facing up stretch one side of the leaf to gently cup it. Then stretch the other side.



- 15 Flip the leaf over and fold it in half over the wire.

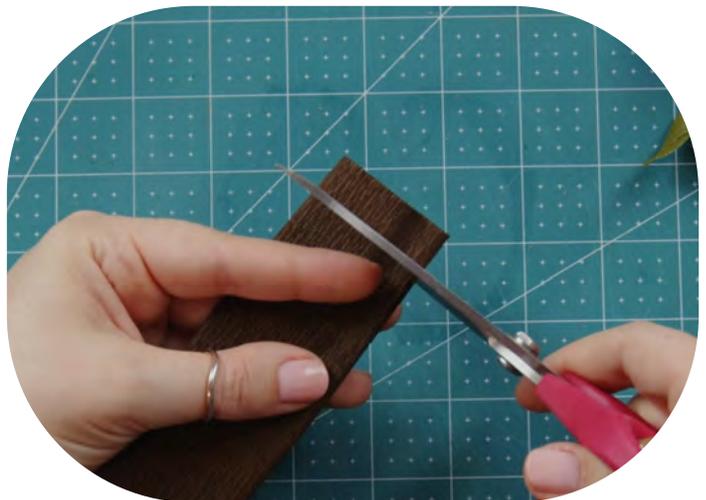


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- 16 Then open the leaf back up and use the curling tool to curl the edges down. Repeat steps 14 - 16 with all 40 leaves.



- 17 Use the Stem Wrap Guide in the PDF Template to cut a strip of Espresso extra-fine crepe paper or grab your brown floral tape.



- 18 Take a small leaf and place it at the tip of an 18 gauge wire, apply a line of glue to the wire.



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- 19 Use the strip of espresso crepe paper wrapping it around both wires to attach then together. Move down the wire as you wrap adding glue as you go.



- 20 Every 1/2 inch to 1 inch you wrap down the 18 gauge wire add in another leaf using both small and large leaves. Add a total of 4 leaves for this branch and then stop, you will now make an orange to add on to this branch.



- 21 Remove the orange from the stem wire noticing the hole in the orange. Then take one large leaf and one small leaf. Twist the bind wire of these two leaves together.



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- 22 Fold the twisted wires in half an inch below the leaves. Add some white glue into the hold in the orange and place the folded wire in the hole. Allow the glue to dry before adding the orange you your branch.



- 23 Add the orange to your branch from step 20. Place the stem of the orange running down the branch just under the last leaf. Apply white glue to the wires.

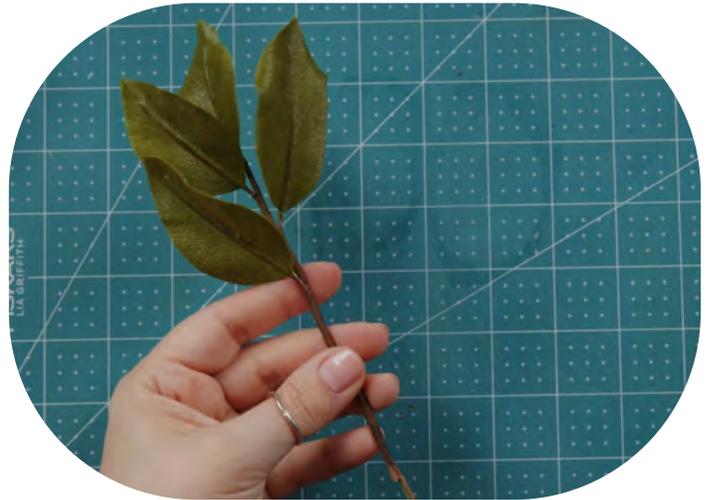


- 24 Take a strip of brown crepe paper and wrap it around the wires to hold them together. Set this branch aside to allow it to dry while we make a smaller branch to add to it.



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- 25 Attach 4 leaves to an 18 gauge wire just as you did in steps 18 - 20.



- 26 Attach the branch to our first branch just under the orange using a strip of brown crepe paper. Make 3 of these branches!



- 27 You will also make one branch just like those first 3 but you will add two branches to it. You will then make 2 branches like you did in steps 18-20 with 5 leaves each. You will have a total of 6 branches.



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- 28 Gather 3 thick stem wires with them all lined up.



- 29 Take a 4th stem wire and add it to the group. Place it so the bottom is 4 inches below the bottom of the first 3 stem wires.



- 30 Wrap the wires together using a strip of crepe paper. Begin wrapping at the tip of that 4th stem wire. Wrap all the way down the wires, continue wrapping when you get to the single wire. Use white glue to hold the wrap as you go.



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- 31 Wrap around the same portion of stems a second time to smooth it out and make it extra secure.



- 32 Bend the tips of the unwrapped stem wires and bend them out.



- 33 Take the 2 branches with no oranges and press their ends into the center of the stem wires. Place a bit of glue on the branches so they stay in place. You may need to cut the end of the branches so you don't need to press them to far in.



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- 34 Take one of the branches with oranges on it. Cut the end of the wire so the branch is only about 10 inches long. You will attach the branch to one of the 3 stem wires using white glue and a strip of brown crepe paper. Wrap the crepe paper all the way down the stem wire to fully cover it.



- 35 Add a second branch with oranges on it to another one of the stem wires. You may need to cut the stem wires if they are to long.



- 36 Wrap the 3rd stem wire with brown crepe paper.



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- 37 The last two oranges branches can be added to the trunk of the tree just below the other branches.



- 38 Wrap down the entire trunk covering any wires.



- 39 Place your tree in the pot you prepared in Lesson 3. You can always trim the stem wire to make your tree shorter if needed. Arrange the branches gently once all of the glue has dried.

