# Button Trees by Mary To Tuttle



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#### Palette:

#### **DecoArt Americana Acrylics**

Antique Maroon #13160 Antique White #13058 Deep Midnight Blue #13166 Fawn #13242 Hauser Light Green #13131 Lamp Black #13067 Medium Flesh #13102 Sapphire #13099 Tuscan Red #13255 Antique Rose #13156 Burnt Orange #13016 Espresso #13261 Hauser Dark Green #13133 Hauser Medium Green #13132 Light Buttermilk #13164 Milk Chocolate #13174 Shading Flesh #13137 Hot Shots Fiery Red #18000

#### **Surface:**

Wavy Trees – set of 2 #62622

#### Misc. Supplies:

DecoArt MultiPurpose Sealer #87392 DecoArt DuraClear Varnish – Matte #87395 Sparkling Accents Paint Pots #13525 DecoArt Wood Glue #70246 Rusty Stars #82204 Folk Buttons #82210

#### **Brushes:**

## Papillon by the Artist's Club

7 Piece Starter Set #20188 Highlighter Set #20173 Comb, size ¼" #20152

#### **Loew-Cornell Brushes**

Maxine Thomas Mop, size ½" #27180; size ½" #27179

## **Preparation:**

Sand and seal the trees and bases with DecoArt MultiPurpose Sealer. Sand again when dry and wipe away any sanding dust with a damp cloth. Basecoat the trees with Hauser Dark Green; the tree trunks with Fawn; and the bases with Lamp Black.

Using the ¼" Comb and thinned Hauser Medium Green, stroke the trees, working from each tier of the trees, beginning from the bottom. Repeat with Hauser Light Green and then with Light Buttermilk. Apply the ovals to the trees and basecoat them with Fawn.

Apply the main pattern lines and basecoat the designs as follows:

Light Buttermilk – snowman's head & body; Santa's hair & beard

Medium Flesh - Santa's face

Antique White – Santa's hat & coat trim & hat ball

Sapphire – snowman's hat brim

Tuscan Red – snowman's hat & scarf; Santa's hat & suit

#### **Painting Instructions:**

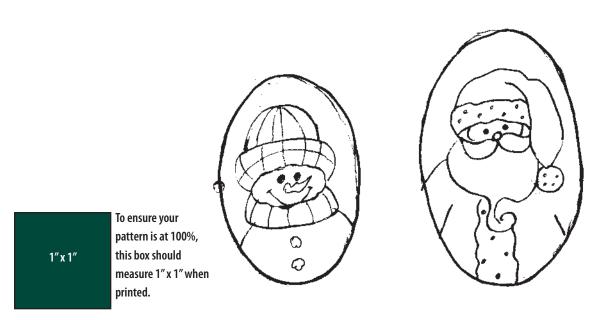
Shade under each tier of the trees and around the outside of the ovals with Hauser Dark Green. Shade behind the snowman and Santa with Espresso. Shade the tree trunks under the tree and at the bottom, and apply the wood grain with Espresso. Line the wood grain with Lamp Black. Shade the snowman's face under the hat and body under the scarf with Sapphire. Blush the cheeks with Antique Rose and basecoat the nose with Burnt Orange. Shade the base of the nose with Antique Maroon and highlight the tip with Hot Shots Fiery Red. The eyes, mouth line and buttons are Lamp Black. Highlight the eyes, buttons and top of the cheeks with tiny dots of Light Buttermilk. Highlight the center of the hat and scarf with Hot Shots Fiery Red. Add the lines to the hat and scarf with Sapphire. Shade the hat at the bottom, and both sides of the scarf with Antique Maroon. Highlight the center of the hat brim and add the plaid with Light Buttermilk. Outline as necessary with Lamp Black. The wavy line around the oval is Sapphire.

Shade Santa's face under the hat and above the nose with Shading Flesh. Blush the cheeks and bottom of the nose with Antique Rose. Highlight the eye area and top of the nose with Light Buttermilk. The eyes are Lamp Black. Highlight the eyes and top of cheeks and nose with tiny dots of Light Buttermilk. Shade the hair under the hat, center of the mustache and under the mustache on the beard with Milk Chocolate. Shade both sides of the hat trim, bottom of the ball, and top and bottom of the coat trim with Milk Chocolate. Highlight the center of the hat trim, top of the ball and center of the coat trim with Light Buttermilk. Shade the hat above the trim, under the tail and on the tail above the ball; and on the coat, under the beard, both sides of the brim and both sides of the arms with Antique Maroon. Highlight the center of the hat, tail and coat with Hot Shots Fiery Red. Outline as necessary and add dots to hat and coat trim with Lamp Black. The wavy line around the oval is Tuscan Red.

## Finishing:

Finish with DuraClear Varnish – Matte. Allow to dry well. Using the green glitter from the Sparkling Accents Paint Pots, and a Liner Brush, pull some glitter from the bottom of each tier of the trees. On the snowman tree, and using the bluish glitter from the paint pots, add glitter to the wavy line around the oval. Using the red glitter, add glitter to the wavy line around the Santa oval. Using the DecoArt Wood Glue, add the buttons to the trees in a random fashion, and glue the stars to the tops of the trees. Assemble the trees to the bases with the screws provided.

# Pattern at 100%





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