



The First 'Noel!'

A KraftyBlok Project

PROJECT TITLE:

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SKILL LEVEL: (Adult 1-5: 1 being the easiest, 5 being most difficult)

4

TIME TO COMPLETE:

6 hours

ROMANCE COPY:



Noel, Noel, by the light of that same star, three wise men came from country far...

The word comes from the French word Noël meaning "Christmas," which derives from the Old French word Noël, a variant of nœl. The Latin origin is the word *natalis* ("birth").

PROJECT TIP:

Carefully read product instructions and cautions before you begin this project.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Step 1

Cover your work area with newspaper to protect work surface. Collect and place all supplies needed on your work surface.

Step 2

Clean the KraftyBlok™ with glass cleaner or a 50/50 solution of vinegar and water. Dry completely with cloth.

Remove the stoppers and place the KraftyBlocs™ on newspaper, with the opening facing down.

Work In a well ventilated area, wear safety glasses and rubber gloves to apply and remove glass etching cream to the front and back face of the KraftyBlocs™.

Follow all manufacturer's instruction. Do not etch the outer edges of the front and back faces (Fig. 1). This process may need to be repeated several time to achieve a consistent etch. Use glass cleaner or a 50/50 solution of vinegar and water to remove etching cream residue. Dry the KraftyBlocs™ using a lint-free cloth.

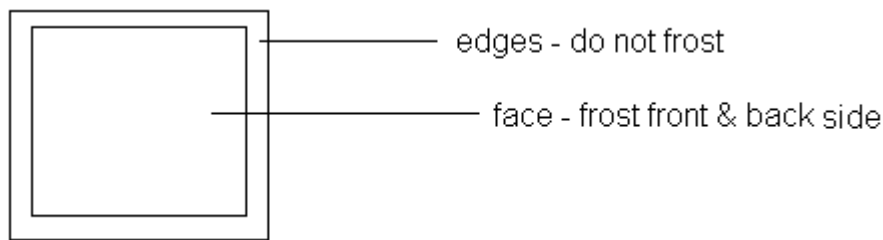


Fig. 1

Step 3

Choose your favorite font from a word processing program. Enlarge it to fit the face of the KraftyBloks™. Print and cut out your letters and trace them onto the glass with a silver Sharpie®. Fill in the letters with glitter paint or glue sprinkled with glitter. Allow the letters to dry.

Step 4

Following the manufacturer’s instruction, apply gold leaf to the front edges of the KraftyBloks™ (Fig. 1).

Step 5

Fold the raw ends of a holiday ribbon under ¼ “and tack in place with hot glue. This will create a finished end. Place the edge of the ribbon on one side of the block opening and tack in place with hot glue. Gently wrap the ribbon around the perimeter of the block, using small dots of glue on the rib of the block to hold ribbon in place. Cut and fold the remaining end of the ribbon by ¼” and glue in place, leaving the opening free from the ribbon. Repeat on the remaining three blocks.

Step 6

Divide the lights equally into 4 groups; insert one group of light strands into each KraftyBlok™ opening.

Step 7

Adorn the decorative KraftyBloks™ with artificial flora and/or birds to complete this festive project.

More information about KraftyBloks™ & a video can be found at

<http://www.diamondtechcrafts.com/default.aspx?page=itemView&itemsysid=199698>

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 MATERIALS CHECKLIST:

- KraftyBlok™ Mini - three
- KraftyBlok™ Rectangle – one
- Armour Etch®
- Gold Leaf Kit
- Mini Lights – 100 count, white lights with a white cord
- Hot Glue Gun & Glue Sticks
- Holiday Ribbon 2 ½” wide – 8 feet
- Red Glitter Paint or Red Glitter and Glue
- Artificial Flora and/or bird
- Paint or Foam Brushes
- Scissors