



Foliage Clusters

What you'll need:

- 2" x 4' x 8" Styrofoam (for the main set we used 3 sheets)
- green paint
- paint opener
- plastic drop cloth
- paintbrush
- 1 can of Great Stuff
- gloves
- hot knife
- marker
- greenery, Fabric Leaves on Wires, Orchids, Folded Paper Leaves
- Tissue Paper Grass Mat*

What you'll do:

Step 1: Draw the base shape on the piece of foam. Our bottom piece was 48" wide. Then make two smaller pieces that are slightly smaller than the base piece. The last piece can be much smaller.

Step 2: Use a hot knife to cut out the foam shapes. Bevel the edges. Tip: Cut the foam outside or in a well-ventilated area.

Step 3: Put the plastic drop cloth on your table. Stack the foam to create a sturdy tiered base.

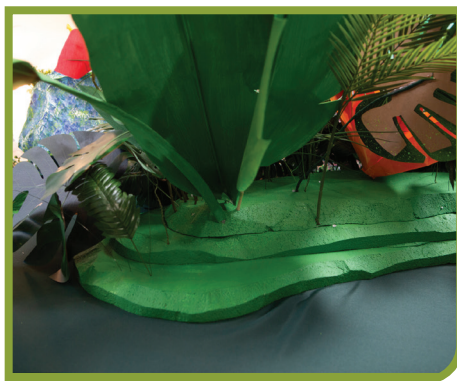
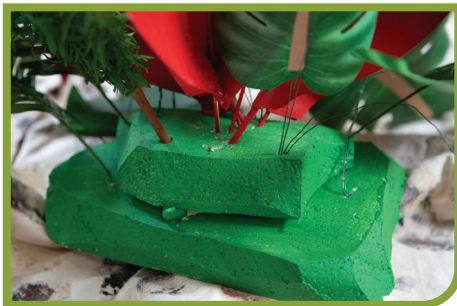
Step 4: Glue the pieces together using Great Stuff. Put a bit of Great Stuff between two pieces of foam, and then press the foam pieces together. Peel the two pieces apart and press together again; do this several times so that the air is pressed out of the Great Stuff. This process helps glue the pieces together without the Great Stuff expanding. Allow to dry.

Step 5: Paint the entire base green. Allow to dry.

Step 6: Fluff the Tissue Paper Grass Mat and place it on top of the foam.

Step 7: Poke greenery, fabric leaves on wires, orchids, and Folded Paper Leaves into the foam base.

Tip: The back is wide to create a counterbalance so the clump doesn't tip over.



*available at vbs.osv.com.