

Smell the Coffee

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Wake up to the aroma of your French Roast Christmas Tree, coffee bean ornament or three bean sphere. If you're not a morning person this may be the way to get you out of bed. Not only do they smell great but they make a decoration as well.



Materials:

STYROFOAM Brand Products:

Cones: 6" x 3"; 8" x 3"; 12" x 4"

Acrylic paint, dark brown

Acrylic sealer, gloss finish

Whole roasted coffee beans, 1/2 lb.

Dark brown felt, 1/4 yd. or two 9" x 12" sheets

1" flat paintbrush

Disposable palette

Paper towels

Thick white craft glue

Pinking shears

Steps:

1. Paint foam cones brown and let dry.
2. Rub glue along bottom edge of cone and then press a row of coffee beans side by side into glue. Position beans horizontally, vertically, or at an angle, keeping the direction uniform (see photo).
3. Continue adding rows of coffee beans until foam is covered, working small sections at a time. Let dry completely.
4. Spray coffee beans with sealer; let dry.
5. Using pinking shears, cut a circle of brown felt to match bottom of each cone. Glue felt to bottom of trees.



Materials:

STYROFOAM Brand Products:

Ball, 3"

Acrylic paint, dark brown

Acrylic sealer, glossy

Whole roasted coffee beans, 3/4 C.

1-1/2" gold sheer ribbon, 1/2 yd.

Gold tassel

Gold cord, 4"

Gold metal ornament cap with wire hanger (from discarded ornament)

1" flat paintbrush

Disposable palette

Paper towels

Glues: thick white craft; low-temp glue gun and glue sticks

Scissors

Steps:

1. Paint foam ball dark brown and let dry.
2. Glue and insert metal ornament cap in foam ball.
3. Starting at top, glue coffee beans on end to ball around metal cap. Continue to glue coffee beans in circular rows around ball until covered. Let dry completely.
4. Spray coffee beans with sealer and allow to dry.
5. Hot glue tassel to center bottom of ornament.
6. Tie ribbon in a small bow and cut Vs in ribbon ends. Hot glue bow to top of ornament.
7. Thread cord through metal cap's wire hanger and knot ends to form loop. Glue knot to ornament.

**Materials:**

STYROFOAM Brand Products:

Ball, 6"

Acrylic paint, dark brown

Acrylic sealer, glossy

Assorted dried beans, including kidney, black, and navy beans, approximately 1/2 C.
each

1" flat paintbrush

Disposable palette

Paper towels

Thick white craft glue

Steps:

1. Paint foam ball dark brown and let dry.
2. Working on a small section at a time, cover portion of ball with glue and adhere dried beans close together. Using photo as a guide, glue small areas of kidney beans outlined by black beans and then navy beans. Continue until entire ball is covered.
3. Spray beans with sealer and allow to dry.