

Simply Pretty Small Angel, assembly instructions
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Materials needed:

5 inch wide scalloped edged doily/coaster- for the shoulders/arms
10 inch wide doily- for angel's dress
1 ½ inch flat bottomed wooden ball- for the head
5 ½ inch tall styrofoam cone- to starch over (and put back after assembly for more support if desired)
(optional- 12 inch square white tissue paper- to cover the cone if kept after assembly)
small batch of cornstarch stiffener or desired commercial product
assorted ribbon odds and ends- to embellish

Here are the odds and ends I used to make mine, as near as I can recall 20 plus years later:

¾ inch red ribbon rose and 5 inch length of 3mm gold plastic beads for bouquet

5 inch length of 1/8 inch wide gold ribbon to tie in a bow at the neck

6mm flat-back clear plastic crystal to put in center of neck bow

7 or 8 inches of gold colored wire to twist into a halo

14 inch length of 2 ¼ inch wide wire edged gold ribbon for wings, with scrap of 1/8 inch ribbon to tie at center.

Starching and forming- Trim a tiny bit off the pointy end of your cone so the wooden ball will have a nice flat place to sit on for the head. Cover the cone with some plastic wrap or a plastic bag, apply your chosen stiffening agent to the 10 inch doily, and arrange doily over the cone, forming soft pleats around the bottom. Set aside to dry. Take the smaller 5 inch doily and apply stiffener. Drape in half over a plastic-wrap-covered dowel. Set aside to dry. When your starched doilies are dry, carefully loosen and remove from the forms they were on.

Basic Assembly- Replace larger doily over plastic-covered cone to help maintain shape while working. Decide where the front should be. Using craft or hot glue, apply glue to the very top center of the larger doily and place the smaller doily across top of cone to form the shoulders and arms. Apply some glue to the center of the smaller doily and affix the wooden ball for the head. Allow to dry before proceeding.

Embellishing- Using craft or hot glue, attach small gold bead length and ribbon rose to center front of small doily for bouquet. Tie 1/8 inch wide gold ribbon into a small bow and glue at neck. Glue flat crystal to center of bow. Twist gold wire into a circle for halo, apply spot of glue to where it touches on back of wooden ball. Bend and fold wide wire-edged ribbon into pleasing wing shape, securing at center with scrap of 1/8 inch ribbon, and glue to middle back of small doily. Allow all embellishments to dry.

Final Touches- Carefully remove angel from styrofoam cone. If more support is desired or needed, simply cover cone with square of tissue paper and place angel back over cone.

Resource note- www.crochetpatterncentral.com ; www.allfreecrochet.com ; and www.ravelry.com are great places to look for coaster and doily patterns.

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