

Boxed Ornaments

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Time to get out the ornaments for the Christmas tree!

What You'll Need:

- Cardstock
- Scissors
- Pencil or pen (for tracing pattern)
- Gold beads, about 8mm
- White Tacky Glue
- Fabric ribbon with gold accents
- Clear sheet from packaging
- Iridescent acrylic craft paint
- Paper "Christmas" label (optional)

1. Find beads you want to use. Put them side by side to figure out the size of box you need. Use pattern provided, adjusting size as needed.

2. Cut out on solid lines. Fold on dotted lines.

3. Glue rounded tabs of box top and box bottom to insides.

4. On the lid, cut out the X.

5. Run a line of glue on inside edges of lid and glue in clear plastic.

6. Glue ribbon along outer sides of top.

7. If desired, find "Christmas" or another suitable word in a magazine. Cut out and glue to top.

8. Paint iridescent sparkle paint around edge of lid.

9. Inside box, start gluing in gold beads, one row at a time. Put one divider strip beside row.

10. Repeat until all rows are filled.

11. When dry, put removable lid on top. ■

