

# **Busy Bees Welcome Door Plaque**

#### **Supplies Needed**

#40000795 Yellow ½" Pompoms, 100 pc. (1 pk)
#40000800 Black ¾" Pompoms, 45 pc. (1 pk)
#40000793 Multicolor 10mm Pompoms, 100 pc. (1 pk)
#40000470 Black 6mm x 12" Chenille Stems, 25 pc. (1 pk)
#40000537 Adhesive Back Stiff Felt, 6 x 9", 18 pc. (1 pk)
#69993697 Whitewash Scallop Plaque, 12 x 16 x .47" (1)
#40001369 Wood Script Welcome Phrase, (1)
#200-22500 ¾" Block Letters, 54 pc. (1-2 pk – depending on phrase used)
#34734267 Natural Hemp Cord, 64.5' (1 pk)

### **Tools & Other Supplies Needed**

Beehive and Honeycomb Templates (attached to instructions)
Scissors
Ruler
Wire Cutters

Hot Glue Gun (adult supervision mandatory)
Black Acrylic Paint
Gold Acrylic Glitter Paint (optional)
Small Paint Brush
Medium/Dark Brown and/or Black Marker Pens
Heavyweight Paper
Clear Drying Craft Glue

## **Techniques to Know**

Basic Tracing, Cutting, and Gluing

#### **Instructions:**

- 1. Print and cut out beehive and honeycomb templates on heavyweight paper to make patterns.
- 2. Make honeycombs: Trace 20 honeycomb patterns onto the back side of yellow adhesive back felt and cut the individual pieces out. Highlight around the edges of each honeycomb w/ brown and/or black markers.
- 3. Make beehive: Trace the beehive pattern onto heavyweight paper and cut it out. Use hot glue to glue hemp cord around the edges of the beehive. Form cord into a circle shape and use hot glue to glue it on to make the entrance hole to the beehive. Use hot glue to fill in the beehive with cord. Use black/brown marker to define the hole.

- 4. Paint: Separate out the block letters to spell "BUSY BEES LIVE HERE" (or choose your own phrase). Use paint brush and black acrylic paint to paint the "Welcome" wood script and the block letters for your chosen phrase. Allow the paint to dry. If using gold glitter paint, lightly paint over the top and allow paint to dry.
- 5. Make bees: Use glue gun to glue together the following, in order: ¾" black pompom, ½" yellow pompom, and a 10mm black pompom to make the body of a bee. Cut two ¾" lengths of black chenille stem for the antennae. Use glue gun to glue antennae onto the head. Cut an 8" length of black chenille stem. Wrap the middle of that stembetween the ¾" and ½" pompoms. Twist the chenille stem to form two wings, bending the ends back around the bottom of the pompoms. Trim off any excess tails on the chenille stems. Cut two 1" lengths of black chenille stem. Use hot glue to glue them onto the top of the head to make the antennae. Repeat this step to make a total of five bees.
- 6. Assemble plaque: Use clear drying craft glue to glue the "Welcome" script and phrase of choice near the top of the plaque. Remove adhesive backing and press individual honeycombs underneath the letters on the left side of the plaque. Use hot glue gun to glue beehive underneath the letters on the right side of the plaque. Use glue gun to glue bees on where desired.
- 7. Make hanging loop: Cut a 10" length of hemp cord. Tie the two ends together to form a loop. Trim off excess cord tails. Use glue gun to glue the knot onto the back of the plaque, near the top, to make a hanging loop.

**SKILL LEVEL:** Beginner

**APPROXIMATE CRAFTING TIME:** 30-45 Minutes + Drying Time

**HIVE AND HONEYCOMB TEMPLATES** 

