

HOLIDAY YARD ART

A fun take on yard art for the Holidays!



MATERIALS USED:

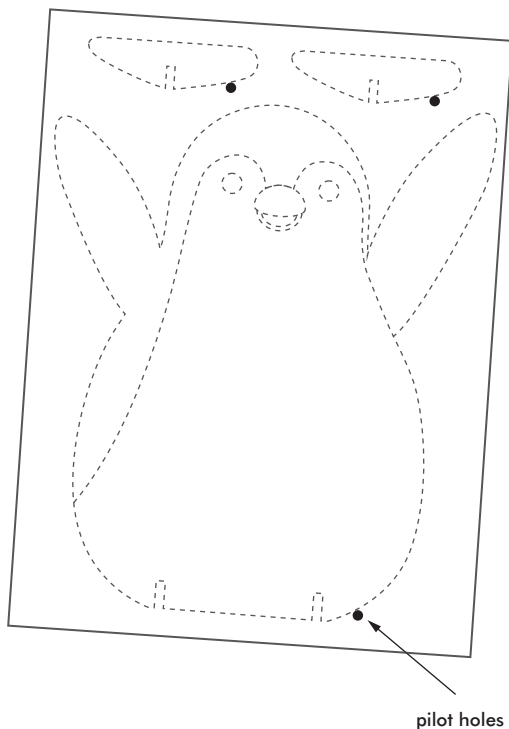
Plywood, Staples, Clamps, Paint, Paint Brush, Hat, Scarf

TOOLS USED:

Circular Saw (P507), Drill (P1811), Jig Saw (P523), Corner Cat Sander (P401), Workshop Blower (P755), Glue Gun (P305), AirStrike™ Stapler (P360)

STEP 1. DOWNLOAD AND PRINT PATTERN

- Download patterns from the project page on RYOBITools.com/Nation.
- Take the pattern(s) you have selected to print to a store such as Staples®, Office Depot, etc. Have the patterns enlarged to 36 in. x 48 in. each.



STEP 2. CUT PLYWOOD AND PAPER PATTERN

- Use a circular saw to cross cut the full sheet of plywood down to 36 in. x 48 in.
- Cut out the paper pattern(s) using a pair of scissors.
- Place the cutout on the 36 in. x 48 in. piece of plywood and use a pencil or marker to trace the outside shape of your pattern. The inside shapes will be used as a painting guide and can be drawn later.

STEP 3. DRILL PILOT HOLES

Secure the plywood with clamps. Using a drill, drill a pilot hole into the outer part of each shape. Be sure the drill bit is a larger diameter than your jig saw blade.

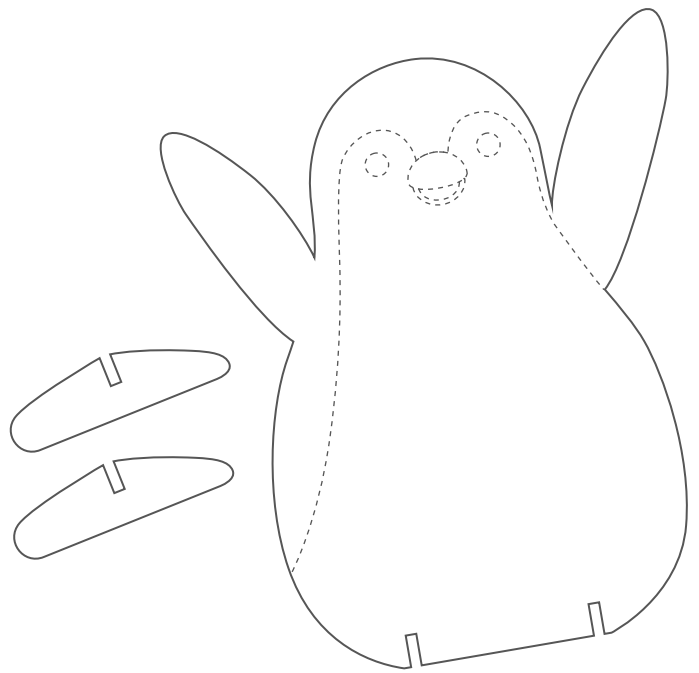
If using the RYOBI P523 Jigsaw, we recommend using the saw on setting 2 or 3 to have cleaner edges. If you no longer have the blade that came with the jigsaw, we recommend using a blade meant for clean cuts in wood.

STEP 4. CUT THE SHAPES

Using a jigsaw, cut out the shapes you traced. Start in the pilot holes or at the edge of the plywood, and cut small to medium sections at a time. If the scrap pieces on the sides get too large, they can shake around while you're cutting and make the process unmanageable.

STEP 5. SAND AND CLEAN SHAPES

- Using a sander, sand the edges and flat surfaces of the shapes. Make sure all rough or splintered areas are smoothed out.
- Using a workshop blower, clean off the shapes and workspace.



STEP 6. PAINT

Trace the inside shapes of the pattern from step 2c onto the yard art, then paint it. Wait until the paint dries before completing the next step.

STEP 7. ATTACH HAT AND SCARF

Using a hot glue gun or stapler, attach the hat and scarf. Be sure to staple in areas where the folds in the material will cover the staples.

STEP 8. ASSEMBLE YARD ART

For the final step, slide the feet into the notches on the body so the yard art can stand on its own.

Now the project is complete!

Optional: To make the project sturdier in an outdoor environment, attach a stake to the back of the yard art using wood glue and either brad nails or staples. Allow glue to dry, paint if desired, and place the stake in the ground when placing the project in your yard.

