

Woven Snowflake Ornament



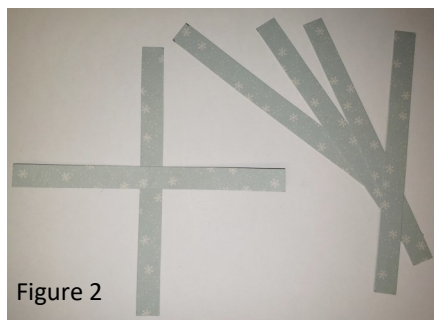
Included in your kit are:

- * 12 paper strips
- * 1 scalloped paper circle
- * 1 paper circle
- * Roll of glue dots
- * Hanging string

You will need to supply:

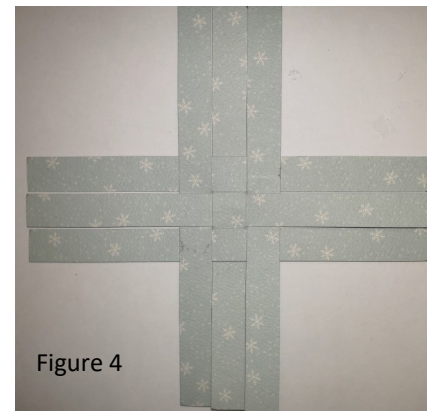
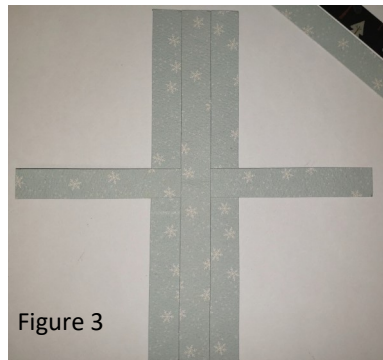
- * Scissors

Glue dots are supplied for this project, but a glue stick may be used if preferred.

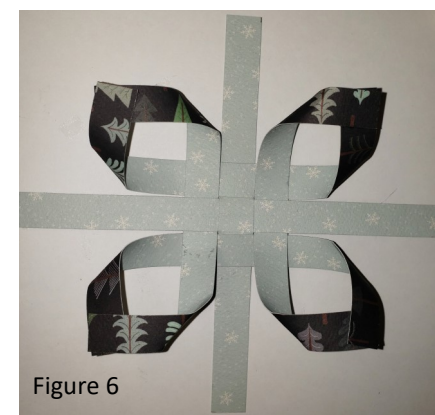
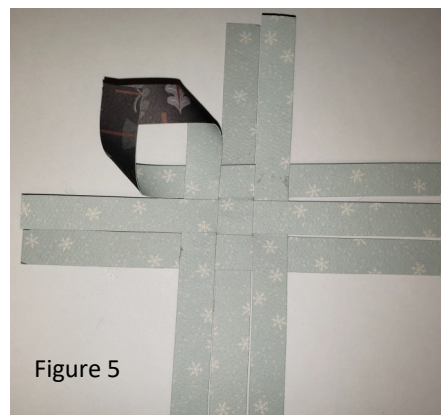


Start with 6 strips of paper. Fold 2 in half and unfold to mark the middle of the strip. Lay 1 strip vertically on the table. Cut a large glue dot in half and stick over the fold so it does not hang over the edge. Place the 2nd folded strip over the glue dot at the middle fold to form a cross as shown in Figure 2.

Using the next 2 strips, place 1 on either side of the vertical cross piece from the previous step so the horizontal cross piece is over the top of each side strip as shown in Figure 3. Place a half glue dot under each cross piece and press together, making sure to keep everything aligned.



Using the last 2 strips from the first group of 6 strips, carefully weave each on either side of the horizontal cross piece from the first step. These 2 side strips should sit over top of the vertical cross piece from step 1, as shown in Figure 4. Carefully place a half of a glue dot under each of the 4 spots where the vertical side pieces overlap the horizontal side pieces.



Starting at the top left hand corner, gently bring the 2 outermost strips together to overlap at the ends. Be careful not to flatten them as you carefully place a half glue dot between the two strips and press to hold as shown in figure 5. Repeat this step for the remaining 3 corners as shown in figure 6.

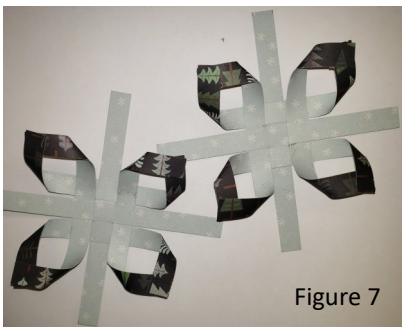


Figure 7

Repeat the previous steps with the 2nd set of six paper strips. You should have 2 woven snowflake pieces as shown in figure 7.

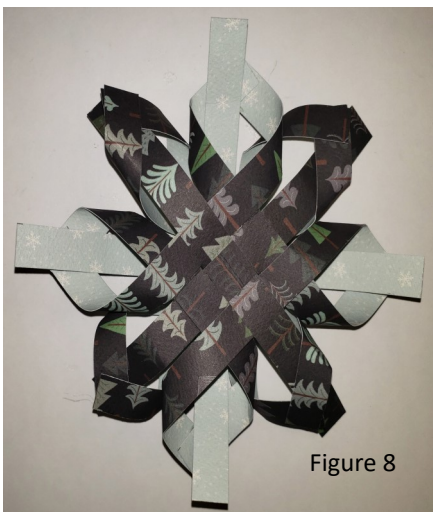


Figure 8

Lay one snowflake over top of the other snowflake so the flatter side of each paper piece faces outward and the looped corners of 1 snowflake line up with the remaining straight sections of the 2nd snowflake. There should be 1 straight section for each looped section. Gently tuck the straight section through the loop so that all 8 loops have a straight piece sticking through them. Carefully cut 4 glue dots in half, applying a 1/2 dot between each loop and straight piece as you go as shown in figure 8.

Now that the 2 snowflake sections are joined together, trim each straight section from the previous step where it sticks past the loop. Use the loop's shape as a guide to make your cuts as shown in Figure 9 and inset below.

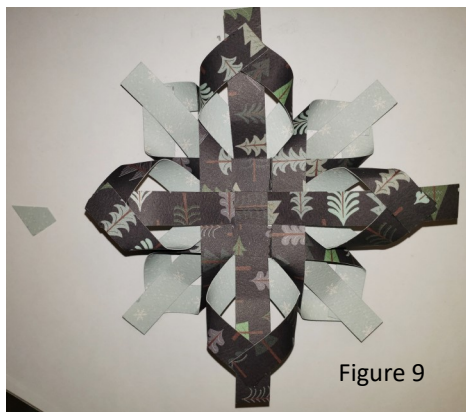


Figure 9

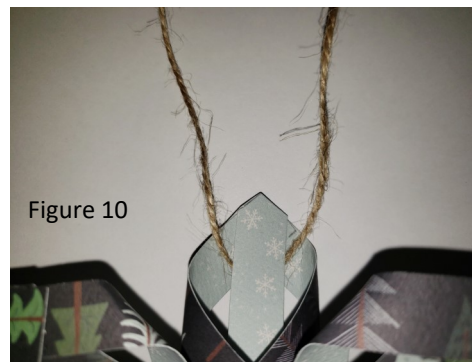


Figure 10

Now create the hanging loop by inserting the string around the straight piece created by 1 of the loops and straight pieces as shown in figure 10. Tie a knot in the end and trim ends close to knot. As an alternative, you may use a standard hole punch to make a hole in the end of 1 loop to tie your string to as shown in figure 11.

Apply a glue dot to the back of your smaller paper circle. Press this evenly against the larger scalloped circle, carefully centering it. Apply 1 glue dot to the back of the scalloped circle and press against the front flat area of your snowflake, centering it, and making sure the hanging cord is directed upwards as seen in figure 11. Your ornament is ready for hanging.

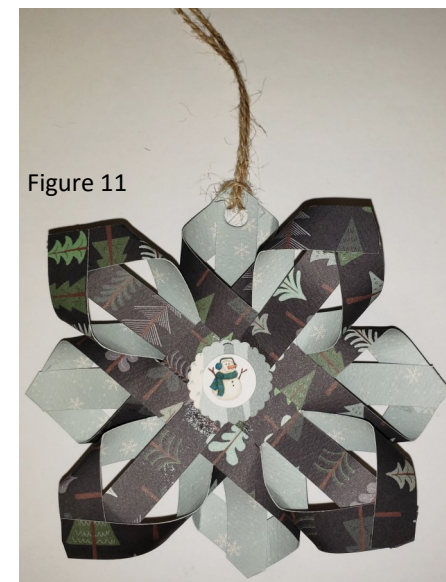


Figure 11

Don't have a kit or want to make more? You will need:

- * 12 strips of double-sided paper that measure 1/2" by 6".
- * Small sticker or embellishment for the center (here a 5/8" circle punch was used to punch out a snowman while a 1" scalloped punch was used to make the bigger circle).
- * 12" piece of ribbon or string
- * Glue dots, glue stick, or other high-tack adhesive.
- * Scissors, ruler, pencil, or additional tools to measure and cut.