

Beginner
Friendly

wooden spoon PUPPETS

PUT ON A SHOW WITH **TIA WILLIAMS** AND
LAURA MINTER'S CREATIVE CHARACTERS

This trio of simple spoon puppets are such a hoot to make, and even more fun to play with! Since the instructions are so easy to follow, even the littlest crafters can get involved – cosy up in front of the fire on a winter afternoon and whip up a batch, then all that's left to do is put on a show! We've made Santa, Rudolph, and a twinkly angel, but you could make any Christmas characters you like.

Let's get started...

SPOON PUPPETS

- 1 Download and print the templates from makeandsewtoys.com, then cut out the pieces from felt. Paint one wooden spoon brown. Leave to dry before adding a coat of PVA glue to all three spoons. Leave to dry. To make Santa, stick the black leg piece around the spoon handle, lining up the bottom of the felt with the end of the spoon. Wrap the coat just under the head, overlapping the edges at the front, and adhere together. Wrap the black belt around the middle of the coat and glue at the back. Stick the beard on, followed by the hat.
- 2 For Rudolph, affix the snout onto the front of the brown painted spoon. Glue the antlers and ears onto the back, so that they are poking out over the top. Stick the collar

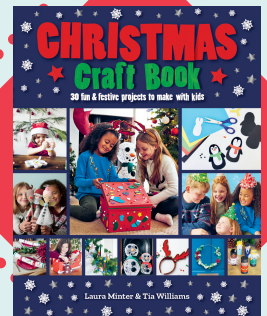
around his neck. For the angel, fold over the narrow edge of the angel dress by 2.5cm. Fold again so the two straight edges meet with a 5mm overlap. Check the gap at the top is big enough for the spoon handle, then glue. Stick the angel hair on top of the spoon, slide on the dress, with the seam at the back, and adhere in place around the neck.

- 3 Bend both ends of a sparkly pipe cleaner into the middle and twist to hold. Glue onto some gold felt, leave to dry, then trim away the excess. Attach to the back of the angel spoon for wings. To make a halo, twist another pipe cleaner into a circle about 4cm wide. Twist the ends together, then stick to the back of the angel's head. Bend the circle down over the head.

- 4 Add googly eyes to each puppet. Decorate Santa's hat with a row of

white pompoms and a pink one for his nose. Attach a gold sequin to his belt as a buckle, then draw on a smile. Stick three blue pompoms around the angel's collar and a large pink one on her head for a bun. Embellish her dress with festive sequins. Add a red pompom to Rudolph's face for his nose, and a little bell to his collar.

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Discover more fun festive projects inside *Christmas Craft Book* by Laura Minter and Tia Williams. GMC Publications, RRP £14.99, available online and from all good bookshops.

FABRIC swatch

Cheap and cheerful felt will do just fine for this quick project – all you'll need is one A4 sheet, like this red option from Hobbycraft. 50p, hobbycraft.co.uk



YOU'LL NEED...

- Felt, various colours
- Wooden spoons, three
- Pipe cleaners
- Acrylic paint, brown
- PVA glue
- Googly eyes
- Pompoms, various colours
- Sequins
- Permanent marker
- Bell, small





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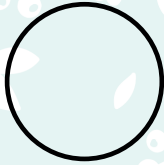
Put on a show with these festive faces

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RUDOLPH'S EAR
Cut two in beige



RUDOLPH'S SNOUT
Cut one in beige



RUDOLPH'S ANTLER
Cut two in brown



RUDOLPH'S COLLAR
Cut one in green

SANTA'S BELT
Cut one in black



SANTA'S LEGS
Cut one in black



ANGEL DRESS
Cut one in white



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ANGEL HAIR
Cut one in pink



SANTA'S COAT
Cut one in red



SANTA'S HAT
Cut one in red



SANTA'S BEARD
Cut one in white

