



CRAFT
SKILL LEVEL
BEGINNER

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver®: 1 skein 312 Black

8" (20.5 cm) Styrofoam™ wreath, 14" (35.5 cm) Styrofoam™ wreath, 3½ yds (3.2 m) 12-gauge black beading wire, 12 yds (11 m) 2" (5 cm)-wide wired ribbon, small wire cutters, yarn needle, glue, measuring tape, scissors

GAUGE: Gauge is not critical for this project.



RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); stripes, prints, multicolor and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yd (215 m); and flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yd (238 m) skeins



Crafty Cat Wreath

Black cats and Halloween go hand in hand! This easy to craft wreath is a fun way to add some spooky décor to your home.

Wreath measures: 18" (46 cm) x 25" (63.5 cm)

Note

To make wrapping the wreaths easier, wind off a small ball of yarn. Using two strands at a time will make the process faster.

WREATH Wrap the Wreaths

Step 1: Holding two strands of yarn together at the same time, wrap both wreaths completely with yarn, working in an even layer and pushing the wrapped yarn together to form a firm covering.



Step 2: After wrapping is finished, weave in ends with yarn needle along the back of the wreaths.

Cut Wire Pieces

Step 3: Using wire cutters and 12-gauge black wire, cut the following pieces:

Whiskers: Six 6" (15 cm) pieces

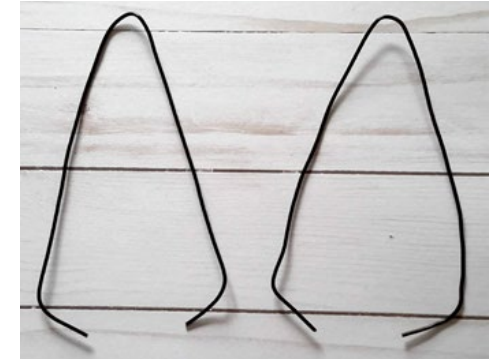
Ears: Two 12" (31 cm) pieces

Bow: One 6" (15 cm) piece

Tail: One 30" (76 cm) piece

Place Ears

Step 4: Bend wire ears in half lengthwise, making arrow-shaped pieces. Bend the edges of the wire slightly inward as shown to create an angle.



Step 5: Push the angled end of the wire ears into the top of the 8" (20.5 cm) wrapped wreath, leaving 1" (2.5 cm) between the ears in the middle and spacing each ear about 4" (10 cm) wide.



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Join Wreaths

Step 6: Holding two strands of yarn together at the same time and making sure the ears on the head are facing upright, tie wreaths together by wrapping the yarn around the two wreaths. Knot the yarn firmly in the back.



Step 7: Wrap yarn around the two wreaths to form a thick band about 1½" (4 cm) wide. Knot the beginning yarn tail with the finishing tail and trim edges. Dot knot with glue and allow to dry.



Hanging Loop

Step 8: Cut two strands of yarn 6" (15 cm) long. Using a yarn needle, loop both strands of yarn under wreath, wrapping on the back of the 8" (20.5 cm) wreath between the two ears.



Step 9: Tie two yarn ends in a bow. Dot back of bow with glue to secure and allow to dry.



Bow

Step 10: Using 2" (5 cm)-wide wired ribbon, wind off a length of 10" (25.5 cm). Do not cut ribbon from spool.

Step 11: About 6" (15 cm) from the ribbon end, make a 3" (7.5 cm)-long loop and twist to secure.



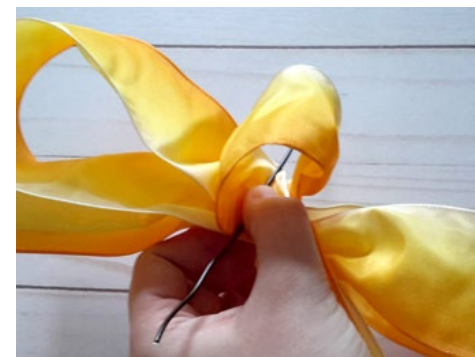
Step 12: Pulling from the end still attached to the spool, fold a loop about 5" (13 cm) long under the middle loop. Hold in place with your fingers.



Step 13: Twist the ribbon so the right side is facing up again, and make another equally-sized 5" (13 cm) loop on the other side of the middle loop. Hold in place with your fingers.



Step 14: With all layers of bow still pinched together, place the 6" (15 cm) piece of wire through the middle loop.



Step 15: Bend the wire down and under the bottom of the bow, twisting the wire twice to secure.



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Step 16: Cut ribbon from spool, matching the ends of the bow for an even length. Cut a V into each end.



Whiskers

Step 17: Bend the ends of the whiskers into an L shape. Push them into the Styrofoam head, angling the bent piece of wire down towards the body and placing 3 whiskers on each side.



Tail

Step 18: Gently bend tail piece of wire in half with one half slightly longer than the other. Push into the body on the left side, placing the longer side of the tail on the outside. After securing, shape gently by bending and pulling the wire as needed.



FINISHING

Step 19: Using wire on the back of bow, attach bow to the wrapped yarn connecting the head and body pieces. Fluff middle section of bow and angle loops.

