

This card can be folded and glued into a pyramid Christmas tree ornament decorated with a tree of handwoven fabric. Your personal Christmas greeting can be written on the inside of the card, folded flat and mailed in the matching envelope. The receiver can fold and glue the greeting into a pyramid shaped tree decoration to be used for years to come.

The fabric can be woven on the narrowest of table looms or an inkle loom. Almost any pattern (such as Swedish lace, twill, huck or plain weave) can be used, provided the woven fabric is fine. Very small glass beads can be threaded onto the weft and inserted into the weave randomly to look like tiny lights on the handwoven tree.

These cards are also good for using small scraps of handwoven fabric cut from another project. Other alternatives could be hand painted fabrics, embroidered cloth, miniature tapestries or for basketmakers - natural grass weaving.

WARP AND WEFT REQUIREMENTS:

For best results, plan to use a 20/2 mercerised cotton or a 60/2 silk to produce a fine fabric with a lustre. The width and length of the fabric depends on how many cards you want to make. Allow a 7 cm square piece of fabric for each card.

MATERIALS REQUIRED: For assembly of one card you will need:

- A piece of good quality coloured cardboard measuring 10 cms x 25 cms
- A matching envelope
- Clear quick-drying fabric glue
- A sharp blade or craft knife
- 8cm square calico or plain cotton fabric for backing
- A piece of polyester dacron wadding cut to size of the Christmas tree opening
- Matching 3 mm satin ribbon for decorative bow
- Lurex thread or cotton to hang decoration
- One-hole punch

TO MAKE:

Following the template provided (see page 8), cut the tree decoration from the cardboard. Use the sharp blade to cut out the shape of the Christmas tree where shown.

Lightly score along all broken lines. Cut a small triangular piece of handwoven fabric large enough to fit behind the Christmas tree shaped window, trim so that it doesn't interfere with the folds on the card, and glue into place behind the Christmas tree window.

Cut a small piece of polyester wadding the same size as the window and lightly glue this onto the back of the handwoven fabric to give the Christmas tree a slightly raised, padded look.

Glue a piece of the cotton to the back of the entire decorative section to conceal the polyester wadding and to give a neat finish.

TO FINISH:

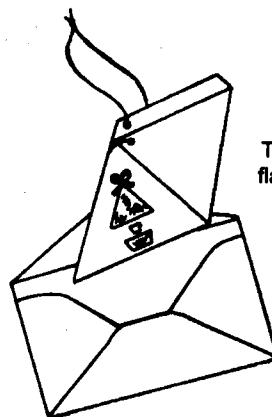
Place three holes in the card with the hole punch in the positions shown. A short length of lurex thread or cotton can be threaded through the holes to hang the decoration.

Glue a small ribbon bow on the top of the Christmas tree on the front of the card.

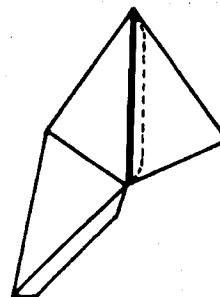
PYRAMID CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS

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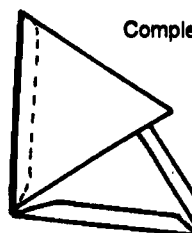
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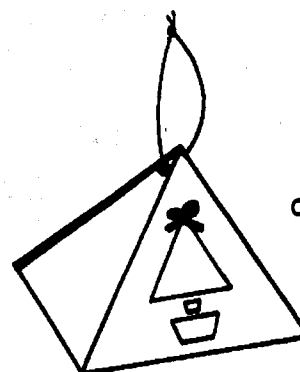
The decoration can be folded flat and posted in an envelope



TO ASSEMBLE
Fold along all scored lines
Glue the first flap as shown

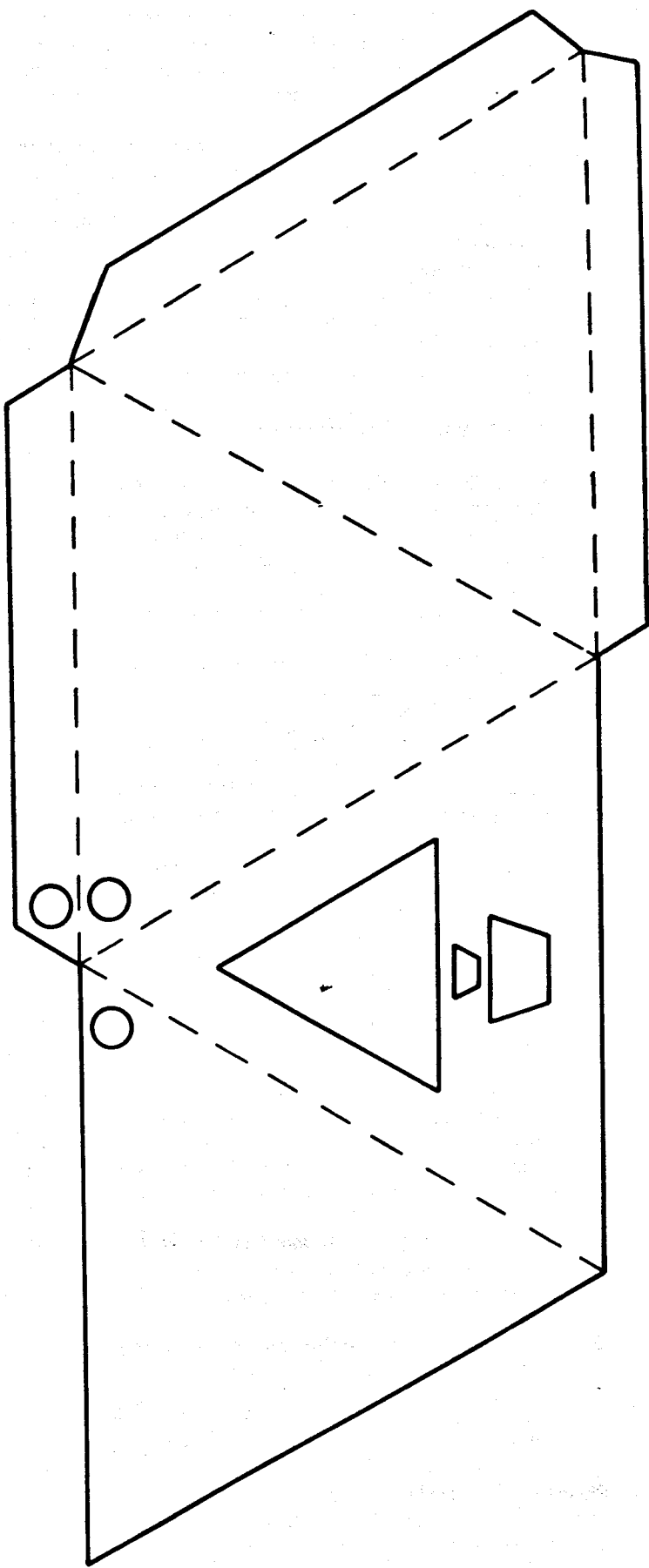


Complete the pyramid by gluing the remaining flaps



The completed Pyramid Christmas Tree Decoration

How to assemble the tree decoration



Template for 'Pyramid Christmas Tree Decoration'
Actual Size