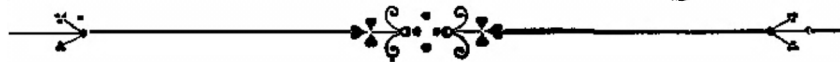


Wooden Stitching Box



My box is a Hobby Lobby card box. It is adapted to fit the Needle Books "August Rose" and "Summer Stitcher".

The other supplies needed are:

Sand paper, peel and stick black felt, Mod Podge Mat finish, "Burnt Umber" acrylic paint (I used DecoArt Americana)

A piece of wood trim 1/4" x 3/8" for divider, also from H/L & 4 felt bumpers for the bottom,

**optional "Woodpile" antique button clasps #470377 (from Hobby Lobby)

& a brayer for Mod Podge application, also available from H/L.

*Begin by removing the two dividers already in the box,

I used a pliers and rocked it back and forth until the glue released, some are easier than others, but remember the wool will cover the inside top and bottom. Just do your best.

*Next, sand all the edges and flat surfaces, including the outside top and outside bottom.

* Remove the existing clasp if you are going to change it. (The new one is added after paint.)

*Paint the box! Inside: the inside edges, all but the inside flat top and bottom.

On the outside, the top and bottom and all outside edges.

*Paint the hinges and clasp if using the existing clasp.

Let it dry, you can use a hair dryer if need be.

*Now for the Mod Podge! There are probably videos available if need be, but...

apply a even coat of the mod podge to the wooden top of the box,

add the image to the top and quickly center.

Gently use the brayer to smooth out any air. Allow to dry!!

After the top is dry, add another coat of mod podge to the top and the sides.

*Inside the box, measure and cut two pieces of felt to fit the inside top and bottom.

Peel the backing and attach. Looks better already!!

*Measure across the box for the length of your divider, all boxes are a little different in size, cut the length short enough to fit, but long enough to stay in place.

I cut, then sanded to get a good fit.

*Add the alternate clasp; center the bottom (button part), with the top edge of the clasp resting at the top edge of the bottom half of the box. Screw in place.

Then close the box and add the top of the clasp. (Not too snug!!) Screw in place.

*I have added the two cover "quilt pictures" if you wish to use them, but you can use any image, just adjust the sizing to fit your box.

You can leave it plain as well.

I hope you enjoy your box as much as I enjoy mine!!

Happy stitching always!!

♥ Lori

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