Toadstool Birdhouse with Pyrography Designs

Instructions No. 4057

Difficulty: Advanced

Working time: 2 Hours 30 Minutes

You'll transform a wooden birdhouse into an autumnal eye-catcher for your garden or balcony. Using " wooden burning ," you'll carve delicate lines and natural details into the wood, while a splash of color adds a fresh accent to the roof. The result is a unique project for advanced crafters that combines decoration and function. A protective coat of varnish ensures that your design stays beautiful for a long time.



Place the spruce wood birdhouse on a protected surface. If the wood feels rough, carefully smooth the surfaces with fine-grit sandpaper (sandpaper.). This will ensure that the " handicraft paint " and acrylic varnish adhere evenly later on, and your " wooden burning " will turn out clean and clear.

Step 1: Paint the roof with red —for a bold fall accent
Apply a full coat of red “ handicraft paint ” to both sides of the roof. Let the paint dry completely so that the next layer of paint—with the white dots—will adhere well to the dry surface.

Step 2: Dab on white dots – mushroom look with a dabbing sponge
Place some white “ handicraft paint ” on a palette or a piece of plastic wrap and pick up a small amount with a dry dabbing sponge. Use it to dab small dots onto the roof. The dabbing sponge creates soft edges and a natural, lively dotted texture. Let this layer of paint dry thoroughly as well, so nothing smudges as you continue working.
Did the dotted paint application turn out a little imperfect? If so, feel free to carefully touch up the white paint with a fine brush.

Step 3: Transfer the mushroom design—trace neatly with graphite paper
Print out the template and position it on the birdhouse. Place graphite paper between the template and the wood, then trace the lines with a pencil. This creates a clear outline on the wood without having to sketch freehand. Make sure the template doesn’t slip so that the outlines look consistent when you burn them in later.

Step 4: “ wooden burning ” – Burn in the lines and add details
Burn in the transferred lines using the pyrography kit. “ wooden burning ” means using a hot tip to etch the design into the wood’s surface. Work slowly and evenly to ensure the lines are smooth and not spotty. For added depth, you can also burn small tufts of grass and fine textures into the wood. This gives your autumnal design character and complements nature-themed birdhouses particularly well.

Step 5: Apply a protective coat – acrylic varnish for a weather-resistant finish
Finally, apply a coat of clear acrylic varnish. The varnish seals the handicraft paint and protects the wooden burning from the elements, ensuring the birdhouse stays attractive for a long time. Apply the varnish evenly, without going over the same spot too often, to avoid brush marks. Then let the acrylic varnish dry thoroughly.

Step 6: Finishing Touches—Check, Touch Up, and Hang
Once dry, check the edges and roof surfaces. If you’d like even more contrast, you can carefully trace individual pyrography lines or add small dots. After that, your painted birdhouse, available at wooden burning , is ready for its spot in the garden or on the balcony. Browse the online shop for matching paints, pyrography supplies, and varnishes so you can get started on your next fall project right away.







Must Have



VBS Bird House Nesting Box "Roof House Teeny

Depth: 13.5 cm
Width: 11 cm
Height: 31 cm
Material: Spruce wood

11,95 €

Item details

Quantity: - 1 + Add to cart

Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
695527	VBS Bird House Nesting Box "Roof House Teeny	1
29885	Professional pyrography station	1
560566	Graphite paper	1
27501	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlRed	1
27488	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlWhite	1
120708	Painting sponge "Stippling Brush", set of 3, Ø 10, 20, 30 cm	1
12052402	VBS Flat brush "BASIC", set of 6	1
28553	VBS Acrylic varnish, 50 mlMatt	1