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Pretty-as-a-Package Topiary

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MATERIALS NEEDED

STYROFOAM* Brand Foam: 2 Sheets, 1" x 12" x 36"

Note: Smaller sheets can be used. If different sizes are used, see Step 1 to determine quantities.

Other Materials:

Clay pot, 5"
Gift wrap, bridal
Acrylic craft paint: white wash, white pearl, gold
Spray paint, gold glitter
Ribbon, 1-1/2" x 4 yds, wired
Silk bridal sprays, 11 small
Pearl & floral streamers, four
Floral wire, 6", cloth-covered
Sea sponge, small
Yardstick
Sharp pencil
Serrated knife
Old candle
Paintbrush, 3/4" flat
Scissors
Low temperature glue gun and glue sticks



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Wax knife blade with an old candle. Cut from sheets of STYROFOAM brand foam three squares in each of the following sizes: 9", 8", 3". Cut two 5" squares. Stack and glue foam squares together, creating "packages". Sand rough edges with a scrap of foam.
2. Wrap packages. Stack and glue packages together, turning packages on an angle (refer to photograph).
3. Paint pot with two coats of white wash; let dry. Lightly sponge with white pearl and gold paints.
4. Using 3 yds of ribbon, make a six-loop bow with 12" loops and 18" tails; secure with wire. Using remaining ribbon, add two more 18" tails. ([Click here for instructions on how to make bows](#))
5. Center and glue packages to rim of flowerpot. Glue bow to top. Glue three floral sprays to center of bow and four pearl/floral streamers under bow. Glue floral sprays on corners of middle and bottom packages.
6. Spray completed topiary with gold glitter.

CAUTION: Handle assembled topiary by pot only.

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