DOLLAR STORE CLOTHESPIN TREE ORNAMENT CRAFT

Using simple supplies from the Dollar Store, create these quick and easy Christmas Tree Ornaments in just about 30 minutes.

Materials:
- Clothespins, Wooden Spring-Style – Dollar Store
- Wooden Craft Sticks, Two – Dollar Store
- Acrylic Craft Paint – Kelly Green, Dark Brown, Bright Yellow
- Chenille Stems, Gold Tinsel – Dollar Store
- Wooden Stars, Two
- Mini Buttons – Assorted Colors
- Glue Gun and Glue Sticks
- Liquid Glue with Fine Tip Applicator
- Paintbrush
- Scissors

Instructions:
STEP ONE
Gather all supplies. Remove the metal spring from the wooden clothespins. Line up three full clothespins on your work surface, to create a wedge shape. Attach the wooden clothespin pieces together with a glue gun and glue sticks, using the photo as a template.

STEP TWO
Paint the front and all sides of the clothespin tree with kelly green acrylic craft paint. Set aside to dry. Basecoat the wooden stars with bright yellow acrylic craft paint. Set aside to dry and apply a second coat, if necessary.

STEP THREE
Measure and cut three sections of gold tinsel chenille stems to become garland. Attach to clothespin tree using liquid glue with a fine tip applicator. Glue mini buttons onto tree as ornaments. Secure star to the top of the tree with a glue gun and glue sticks.

TIP: If you do not have a fine tip applicator, place liquid glue on a paper plate and apply with the tip of a toothpick.

STEP FOUR
Basecoat wooden craft stick with dark brown acrylic craft paint. Let dry and apply a second coat, if necessary. Secure the wooden craft stick to the back of the tree with a glue gun and glue sticks.

STEP FIVE
To finish the Clothespin Christmas Tree craft, cut a 12" length of natural jute twine, tie it in a loop with a knot, and attach to the top of the tree with a glue gun and glue sticks.

Create Clothespin Trees for a Christmas place card or garland. The perfect size for a tiered tray decoration. These trees won't shed any needles and stay green all season!