



Supplies:

Child's Natural Canvas Apron

Gingerbread Cookie Cutter (4")

Loew-Cornell Brushes: Fabric Brush Set #741
Shader 4,
Stencil 1/4",
Spotter 5/0, Round Scrubber 1,
Shader 8

Design Tools Sponge and Template, Hearts
Brush Tub II
Double-ended Stylus (DES)
DecoArt Americana Acrylic Paints and Medium:
Textile Medium, Lamp Black, Santa Red,
Holly Green, White Wash, Honey Brown, Burnt
Umber, Baby Pink

Paper towels, Paper plates, Cardboard/Poster
Board, Pencil

Directions:

Tips:

- Wash and dry apron without fabric softener and iron before painting.
 - Mix all paints for this apron with textile medium according to label directions.
1. The cookie cutter is your pattern. Use a pencil to trace around the outside. Trace gingerbread men onto the apron, referring to color photo for placement. Use your sponge heart shape as a guide for spacing. Note: In place of a cookie cutter, you can make a pattern out of stiff cardboard and use as a template.
 2. Starting at the top of the apron, paint each gingerbread man Honey Brown, and shade around the edges with Burnt Umber. Shade while the Honey Brown is still wet for easy blending.
 3. When the brown paint is dry, paint frosting detail with White Wash.
 4. When white paint is dry, use Baby Pink paint and the round scrubber brush to dry brush cheeks on each gingerbread man. Use the spotter brush and Baby Pink paint to paint the heart lips.
 5. With the large end of the stylus dot the eyes Lamp Black. The mouth is also Lamp Black.
 6. The hearts on the chest are Santa Red with a White Wash highlight.
 7. The large hearts are made using the Design Tools sponge and template. Put a puddle of Santa Red paint onto a paper plate. Use the sponge dry and dip one side into red paint; spread with a brush to assure even coverage. Press sponge to scrap paper to remove excess paint and test the impression. Stamp hearts onto apron referring to photo for placement. Reload your sponge about every 2 hearts.
 8. Let the red paint dry completely, then lay the template over each heart and detail as desired with White Wash paint. Use the brush that best fits in the template openings.
 9. Use a pencil to freehand the words "Let's Bake Cookies" onto the apron. Paint the words Lamp Black.
 10. Use the #8 shader brush to paint the green checker border around the edges and across the top of the pockets of the apron.

Skill Level: Painting experience helpful

Approximate Crafting Time: N/A

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