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Christmas Reindeer from Tree Branches

This is a Christmas Reindeer that can be made from tree limbs and branches from your area. It takes considerable effort to gather the materials and to cut and drill the parts, but it is one of the most prized Christmas crafts I have ever built.

Materials needed:

- 1. Tree limbs and branchlets (see photo).
- 2. Hot glue guns and glue sticks.
- 3. Christmas bow to attach to neck.

Before the Meeting

- 1. Gather wood
- 2. Cut body, 4 legs, head, neck, eyes, ears, tail and nose (see photo, body and legs are about 6" long).
- 3. Drill holes for legs, neck, head, and horns.

Assembly at the Meeting

- 1. Attach legs using hot glue gun.
- 2. If needed, trim legs so deer sits level.
- 3. Attach neck to head with hot glue.
- 4. Attach head-neck to body with hot glue.
- 5. Attach tail to body with hot glue.
- 6. Attach nose to head with hot glue.
- 7. Attach ears to head with hot glue.
- 8. Attach eyes to head with hot glue.
- 9. Cut small forked branchlets for horns and attach nose to head with hot glue.
- 10. Tie a Christmas bow to the neck.

Each boy can take their project home

Next Meeting

Boys can deliver the 5 extra projects to elderly people in their community. Be sure to call the elderly persons on the day of the visit so they will stay up and have the porch light on. Take the boys to get some ice cream after the delivery.

