

# bookorna11: Double 3-d Christmas Nativity Crèche and Platform Ornament



## Required tools and supplies:

- X-acto knife and fresh blade
- A thin metal straight-edge ruler. Make fold lines by pressing against edge of the ruler.
- Scissors and tweezers
- Good cutting mat. Cardboard will ruin your blades and projects!!
- Fast-grab, quick-dry white craft glue that dries clear
- A acid-free glue stick. Use if indicated
- Small piece of aluminum foil to use as a glue pot
- Slender, flat artist's paint brush to apply glue
- 100mm acrylic fillable, clamshell ornament



**NOTE:** Please see the on-line tutorial, under Need-to-Know, titled 'Cutting Small, Detailed Items Such as Paper Dolls.'

1. Cut out all pieces. Make sure to use a fresh blade so the printed ink will not chew off.

2. To construct the platform, use painted glue to surface of the tabs. Do a few at a time. Make sure to work on a flat surface pressing as you go around the disk so that the platform will not be warped. See page 2 for in-depth photos and instructions.



3. Paint glue onto and press the platform's cover panel around its circumference. Again, work it on a flat surface in order to keep the panel straight. Do not rush the process and press until it dries without puckers.



4. Use a glue stick and glue mountains back-to-back as shown. Painted glue would make the mountains warp.

5. Glue the scenic floor and mountains disk onto the platform using the paint brush



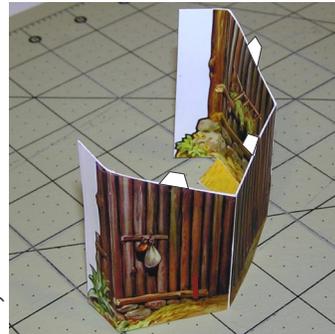
and glue. Mix with a little water if necessary. Press and work it until there are no more puckers.

6. Fold the manger pieces as described on the cut-out sheet.



7. Use glue stick to glue the front to back of the manger.

8. Stand as shown here. Yellow tabs are to be the inside of the manger. Make sure to fold the front manger opening edges.



9. Cut away the white paper found on the manger front opening edges. Cut from the outside as shown in next photo.



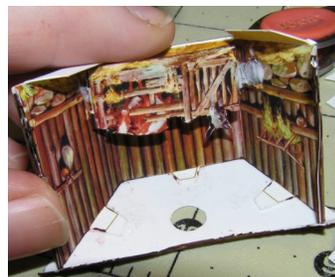
10. Use paintbrush and glue to affix animal pen to rear of manger. Hold on to it until it dries!



11. In case you want to add a tiny battery operated led light, cut holes in the roof and star attachment. If you have hole punches, use the 1/8" and 1/4" punches. Different sizes punches are a great investment! Otherwise cut out with a blade or leave alone and color in the circle on the star piece.



12. Paint glue to the manger roof and hold in place.



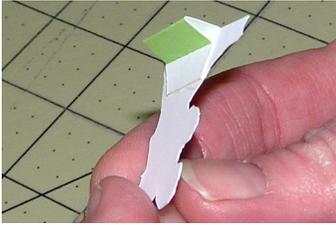
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13. Glue the star embellishment piece onto the roof.



14. Glue the first manger in place. Make sure not to go past the platform's center line.



15. Glue figure stands as shown here. You may want to color the backsides if you want to take the time.



16. Plant figures as shown using painted glue.



17. Repeat steps on second manger.

18. Place platform in ornament and tie a ribbon on loop.

### Ornament Platform:

1. Cut tabs and long strips.
2. Fold tabs carefully on both disks. You want to keep the tabs folded so the line is even around the circle. Disks should sit flat on table.
3. Paint glue to a few tabs at a time. Press the tabs against the second disk's tabs.
4. Keep the disks flat on the table. Otherwise, you will have a wobbly platform.
5. Take the finishing strips and glue them around the platform. Again, keep the platform flat on the table.
6. Continue the second strip if necessary.
7. Finished platform.

