Gum Leaves with Gum Nuts and Flowers

YOU WILL NEED:

48486
46814
70227
47143

TOOLS

- **48486**: GLUE GUN
- **11678**: THREAD
- SCISSORS
- NEEDLE

STOCK

- **46814**: card stock for gum leaves
- **50634 & 50631**: Green & Gold card stock (Glitter) for gum leaf glitter brooch
- **50604**: Felt for gum nuts with flowers
- **70227**: Feather boa (Inside flowers)
- **49203 & 49204**: Pom poms for clusters of gum nut berries item: 49203 (7mm) and item: 49204 (10mm)
- **48988**: Chenille sticks for twigs
- **47143**: Hair clasps
- **47146**: Brooch backs
- Templates provided for leaves / flowers
GUM LEAVES

1. Print and cut out stencils from templates provided.
2. Using stencils provided trace leaf shapes onto the back of your green card.
3. Group together different size leaves to make your bunches.
4. Using hot glue stick them together.

BUNCHES OF LEAVES can now be decorated with small clusters of gum nut berries (three is good and use a mix of small and large pom poms to do this). GLUE these on.

NOW you can create a FROND BY GLUING YOUR BUNCHES onto lengths of chenille sticks (extend the length to make a garland by joining the sticks with a twist)

GUM NUT FLOWERS

1. Using template provided cut from the felt one circle and one rectangle per flower
2. Cut a 2cm piece of yellow feather boa and put aside
3. Using a needle and thread gather one edge along the piece of felt and tie it off
4. Curve the piece of felt around and glue the two ends together with hot glue to make the hollow gum nut
5. Put some hot glue into the empty gum nut and push the piece of feather boa into the centre
6. Fluff the yellow feather towards the edges of the gum nut and glue the small circle you cut out earlier into the centre of the flower. This opens it up.
7. You can now use these flowers to decorate your bunches of gum leaves. Use hot glue to glue them in place

BROOCH / HAIRCLIP

- If you are making a BROOCH or HAIR CLIP, your bunch will be smaller than on a FROND.
- Using hot glue stick your bunch to the clip or brooch back.

GLITTER BROOCH

1. Using the stencils you have created from the templates provided trace leaf shapes (according to the size you want to make) onto the green glitter card and one large and two small gum nuts onto the gold glitter card.
2. Bunch the leaves to how you like them.
3. Glue your bunch together and add the gold gum nuts to where the leaves start from.
4. Glue this bunch to your brooch or hairclip.

HINTS

- Don’t be too fussy when cutting out your leaves. Most gum leaves have been chewed on and have dints in them. You can even give your leaves a bit of character by chopping little dints into them if you care to.
- LEAVES: the green card you will be using has two sides. If you flip some of your leaves and use the back you will get two tones in your bunches that give dimension to your creation
- Go out on a limb and bend your chenille sticks about. Branch them out ... make a tree. Have fun with it.