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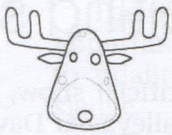
CRAFT IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Make some lovely Christmas decorations with salt dough



Salt dough:

- 2 cups flour
- 1 cup salt
- 1 cup water
- 2 tablespoons wallpaper paste (if available)
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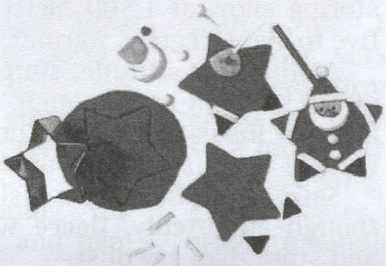
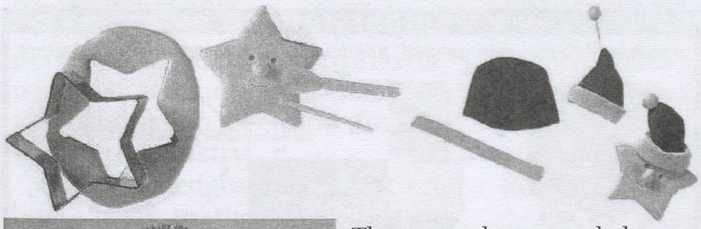
Mix all together and knead until you have a smooth and pliable dough. Let it rest for half an hour, knead it again and then it's ready to use.

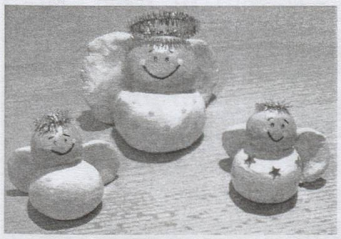
You need:

- Star cookie cutter
- Wooden skewer or a match
- Knife or spatula
- Paints

- Cut a star shape with the cookie cutter and ‚dress' the santa with a face, hat, boots, arms, buttons, scarf etc.
- With a skewer make a hole near the top of the shapes so you can thread a string or ribbon through it to hang on the Christmas tree
- When finished let them dry out for a day then bake at 150C for about an hour.
- Use watercolour, acrylics or poster colour to paint the decorations.
- If you have clear polyurethane you could spray or paint the shapes after baking.
- Add bits of tinsel or gold stars at the end.



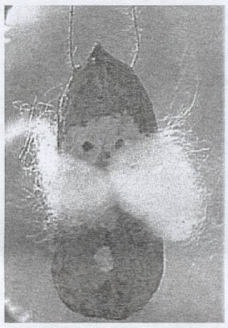




These angels are made by putting 2 round balls of salt dough on top of each other. Add wings to the back. Paint faces and when finished glue bits of tinsel for hair or a halo. Decorate with a pretty gold pen.

Colouring in a Christmas tree

Make Samichläusli to hang on the Christmas tree



You need:

- Whole peanuts
- Red paint and paint brush
- Cotton wool
- Felt pen
- Glue
- Needle and String

The pointy end of the peanut is the top end.
Paint the whole peanut in red but leave the face blank.
Paint black dots for the eyes and a red dot for the nose with the felt pens. When the paint has dried, glue a twisted piece of cotton wool under his nose (2).
If you want to hang him up thread a piece of string through top of his hat(1).

Samichlaus Värsli

Samichlaus, wo chunnsch du her?
"Siebehundert Stund wyt her!"
Samichlaus, isch s Säckli schwer?
"Siebehundert Pfund isch s schwer."
Samichlaus, machs weidli leer!
Denn isch dys Säckli nümm so schwer.