Popsicle Stick Sled Ornament With Washi Tape



Homemade Christmas Ornaments are the best! Make this adorable sled out of popsicle sticks and customize it with a photo.

I'm in love with these little washi tape popsicle stick sled ornaments.

They're a little bit rustic, a little bit modern and a lot of fun. They make me want to go sledding and drink hot cocoa! Yay!



To make your very own sled ornament, you'll need the following supplies:



Materials:

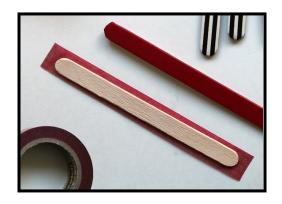
- Washi Tape (I used Scotch brand)
- Utility Knife (also Scotch brand)
- Regular sized craft sticks (3 for each sled)
- Mini sized craft sticks (6 for each sled)
- Hot glue gun
- Twine or ribbon

For the sled, you'll need five short sticks covered in the striped washi tape, two long sticks and one short stick covered in red washi tape and one extra stick that you'll cut into smaller pieces.



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Instructions:



Put a piece of tape on the stick, then flip it over and cut away the excess tape using the utility knife. Make sure you have something underneath so you don't cut marks into your table. I used posterboard.

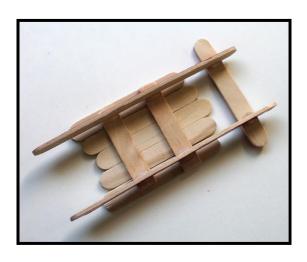




To build the "seat" of the sled, lay the short sticks in the shape you want them, cut small sections of the plain stick small enough to fit, then use hot glue to attach them together, like this:

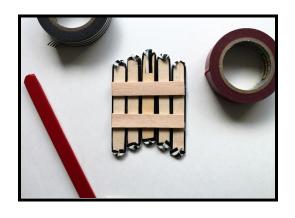
The two long red sticks are the runners. Dab hot glue on the smaller cross

pieces, then place the sticks on their edges and hold until the glue sets. Then add the top cross piece (the handlebars). When you're done, the underside of your sled will look like this:





All that's left to do is add a twine or ribbon loop for hanging. I used hot glue on the back side of the handlebars, but tying the twine around the handlebars would be cute too.



I tried two different methods for adding the tape to the sticks. First I tried just wrapping the tape around the sides, but it made the curved ends look pretty messy underneath:

Then I tried the method I described above, using the utility knife to cut the extra tape away. You definitely

get a cleaner look, but the edges are bare wood. I actually like the bare wood, so I left it, but you could do a combination of the two methods and apply washi tape to both sides of the popsicle sticks if you want the whole thing covered.



The glitter tape is so pretty, but the black and white stripes have my heart.

My aunt, a kindergarten teacher, asked me if these would be cute with her students' photos on them, so I made this to show her how perfect they'd be for her students:



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