

# Smiley Tree



Artist: Robin Howard

Example:

- Use of sealer for special effects
- Drybrush
- Glitter for accent

**Mold:**

Macky Mold 5352

Base 5353

**Royal Brush Co.**

Round – R9325 0-8

Brushes – 4100R-2,4,8

**National Artcraft**

271-0111-04 Cleaning Tool

295-026-065 Sponge

271-046-03 Stylus

309-005-00 Green Grit

**Miscellaneous**

Brown Paper Bag  
Water Basin  
Paper Towels  
School Glue

**Folk Art Colors:**

Burgundy - 957  
Christmas Red - 958  
Cobalt Blue – 720  
Forest Moss - 527  
Lipstick Red – 437  
Moon Yellow – 2551  
Pumpkin - 225  
Pure Black- 479  
Thicket - 924  
Titanium White – 480

**Folk Art Metallic:**

Inca Gold – 675

**Sealer:**

788 Folk Art Matte Sealer  
791 Folk Art Gloss Varnish

Step 1: Scrape the seams off the greenware with a cleaning tool. Sand the seams with green grit. Wipe imperfections off the seam area with a moist silk sponge. Replace any detail lost from cleaning with a stylus or texture tool.

Step 2: Fire to cone 04.

**Basecoat:**

Step 3: Hat- Burgundy  
Step 4: Thicket on entire tree.  
Step 5: Trim on Hat and eyes with Titanium White

**Drybrush:**

Step 6: Hat with Christmas Red  
Step 7: Tree with Olive Green, allow each coat to dry. Using the same brush dip into Forest Moss and highlight tree until desired color is achieved.  
Step 8: Using same Brush dip into Titanium White and Drybrush the face until color desired.  
Step 9: Use same brush and dip into Olive Green and Christmas Red and lightly drybrush the cheeks.  
Step 10: Paint on all dots using as many colors as you would like. I used Cobalt Blue, Pumpkin, Moon Yellow, Lipstick Red  
Step 11: Use Cobalt Blue on Iris and fill in Pupil with Pure Black. Add an accent dot with Titanium White  
Step 12: Spray entire piece with Matte Spray  
Step 13: Apply Clear Gloss sealer to all dots and eyes.  
Step 14: Paint Base of tree with Inca Gold  
Step 15: Paint the glue around the Trim on Hat, Liberally apply Glitter. Let Dry completely then shake of excess.



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Robin Howard has been painting for 4 years, She Teaches classes at Hobby Lobby weekly. She enjoys all aspects of ceramics. She uses several different techniques, Chalk, Transluents, Drybrush, Antiquing. She has won several awards and ribbons at the National Peanut Festival.

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