

snowman cocoa decanter and mugs

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When there's a cold winter's chill in the air there's nothing like a cup of hot cocoa to warm you inside and out. This exclusive set is the perfect holiday gift that is guaranteed to bring a smile of soothing pleasure to both young and old.

materials

Palette

- Plaid FolkArt Enamels: Berry Wine, Burnt Sienna, Burnt Umber, Cayman Blue, Engine Red, Licorice, Pure Orange, Sunflower, Warm White, Wicker White

Brushes

- Daler-Rowney Robert Simmons: Tolmaster: Liner, Series T51, 10/0; Flat, Series T60, #2, #4; Round, Series T85, #4;
- Fabric Master: Round Scrubber, Series 431R, #4

Surface

- Cocoa Decanter (#1590) and mugs (#6641) from Maryland China

preparation

Note: Instructions for decanter and mugs are the same.

Use cotton balls and rubbing alcohol to clean and condition surface. Trace pattern transfer basic details onto decanter and mugs.

painting instructions

Snow and Sky

Use cosmetic sponge, Wicker White, and Warm White to sponge snow on ground area. Sponge Cayman Blue and a touch of Wicker White for sky area.

Snowman

Use fabric scrubber and Wicker White to tap in head and body. Use Burnt Sienna to tap shading below each ball and along right side.

Use #2 flat to base scarf Engine Red; shade Berry Wine along bottom edges and highlight Sunflower along top edges. For plaid design, use liner, Warm White, and Sunflower to add vertical and horizontal pinstripes. Use fabric scrubber to tap Engine Red ear muffs; shade Berry Wine and



highlight Sunflower; Very lightly tap Wicker White highlight.

Use Licorice and liner to paint earmuff band, eyebrows, and mouth; use round brush to tap in eyes and buttons. Add Wicker White highlight line to eyes and buttons. Use round brush to base nose Pure Orange; shade Engine Red and highlight Sunflower.

Use #2 flat and Wicker White to base "mug"; shade Burnt Sienna. Use liner to paint mug opening Burnt Umber. Use #4 flat to float Wicker White steam; use liner to add steam lines.

Use round brush to base arms Burnt Sienna; shade Burnt Umber and highlight Warm White. Paint stick Burnt Sienna.

Use round brush to paint marshmallow Warm White; shade Burnt Sienna.

Use fabric scrubber to shade Burnt Sienna shadow behind body.

Campfire

Use #4 flat to base fire Sunflower; while wet, blend Engine Red toward outer edges and Berry Wine in center. Use #2 flat to base firewood Burnt Sienna; shade Burnt Umber and highlight Sunflower. Shade Burnt Sienna shadow on snow below each firewood piece.

Finishing

Using photo as guide, use liner and Warm White to add random stars and snowflakes. Follow manufacturer's instructions to cure. 

