

Sticks-And-Yarn Stars

Bring the night sky inside with these easy-to-create stars made from sticks and yarn. While this is a kid-friendly craft, make sure an adult is available to help cut and glue.

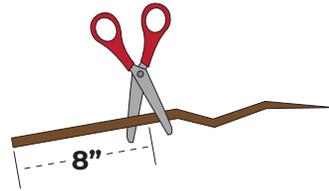
MATERIALS

- sticks and twigs
- scissors or gardening shears
- yarn, multiple colors
- hot glue gun



STEP 1: PREP THE STICKS

Go outside and collect a large selection of sticks and twigs. Once you have a good amount, sort through them and set aside the straightest ones. Have an adult cut these into smaller sticks about 8" long, and group them into piles of five sticks each.



STEP 2: BUILD THE STARS

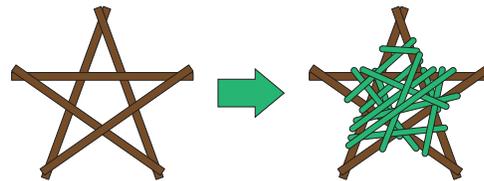
Take one of the piles and arrange the sticks in the shape of a star (see the example below). Have an adult glue the sticks in place with the hot glue gun.

Repeat for the remaining piles.

STEP 3: WRAP THE YARN AROUND

Select one of your stars, as well as any color of yarn. Have an adult cut a long piece of the yarn—at least several feet long—and tie one end of it to the star with a knot, somewhere near the star's center. Now wrap the yarn around the star, connecting different points and making sure to cross over the center now and then. Once you've reached the end of the piece, use a knot to secure the loose end to the star.

Repeat for the remaining stars, using a different color of yarn for each star.



STEP 4: HANG THE STARS

Have an adult cut an additional piece of yarn for each star, then tie them to the top of every star. Use these extra pieces of yarn to hang your stars around your home and create a colorful, indoor galaxy.