## **RAFFIA FLOWER DECORATION**

Design: Alice A

Finished size: appr. 27x48 cm (one flower measures

appr. 6 cm in diameter)

Yarn: 50 g White (01) and 50 g Grey (11) Raffia bast (100 % Rayon), appr. 50 g Black (6) thin paper yarn 1,65 (100 % paper, 100 g = appr. 180 m). One flower weighs app. 3 grams.

**Other supplies:** Alice A medium size Flower Tree, scissors, sticky tape, appr. 30 cm wooden or metallic dowel rod, 57 st of openable metal rings

**Instructions:** Make 20 Grey and 8 White flowers, using the innermost ring of the Flower Tree.

Take a Black paper yarn and thread the end through to the back side through the hole in the middle of the tree. Attach the yarn with sticky tape to the upper edge of the framework. Wind the yarn in a figure eight through opposite pairs of pins, either clockwise or counter clockwise (pic 1).

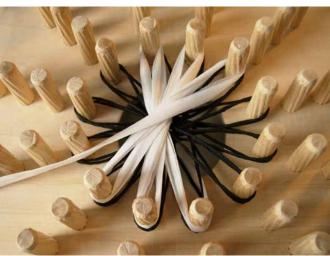
Wind two rounds of Black paper yarn to the framework to begin with. Cut yarn leaving an appr. 40 cm tail and thread it through the middle of the frame and behind the pin you last wound the yarn round. Remove the sticky tape and tie the yarn ends to the backside in a way that lets you open the knot for finishing.

Take the Raffia yarn and make two rounds in the same fashion, tying the ends with a durable knot to the back side if the Flower Tree.

Open the knot from the paper yarn and pull one end through two petals to the front. Attach the petals to each other by crocheting 1 slst over each yarn bunch, i.e. petal (=8 yarns). Thread the yarn end back to the back

side of the Flower Tree and tie with a durable knot. Finish off all yarns to the inside of the middle of the flower.

**Finishing:** Combine the flower petals with metal rings (pic 2) according to the order in the picture. Fasten two more metal rings into each of the upper four metal rings. Thread the dowel rod through the upper rings. Tie a hanging loop of black paper yarn to the dowel rod.





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