

Cool Yule

Make these folk-style reindeer to brighten up your mantel. Scandinavians know the meaning of a stylish Christmas as these Nordic-themed decorations show. These pretty reindeer are so easy to make and look very striking displayed in your home – alternatively, why not use them as greeting cards or Christmas invitations?



You will need

- Paper, red, white
- 3-D paint, pearl white, red
- Acrylic ink, white, red
- Fine brush

To make

1. Draw your reindeer template, based on our example, from red or white card. Cut out a second 'half-body' (omitting the head and tail, but adding a long tab across the top) from the same colour.
2. Lightly draw your design onto the face of the deer in pencil, decorating with dots, stripes, dots and hearts. Refer to our example for inspiration or create your own design. Decant a little white or red acrylic ink (to contrast with the reindeer) onto a saucer.
3. Using a very fine-tipped brush, paint over the pencil lines. When dry, dot 3-D paint on and around the painted lines. Glue the tab on the half body and attach to the reverse of the painted front.