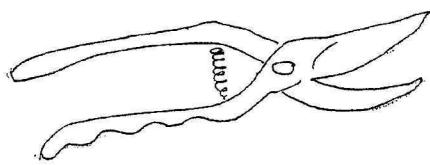


LESSON TWO

Wreath-Type Design

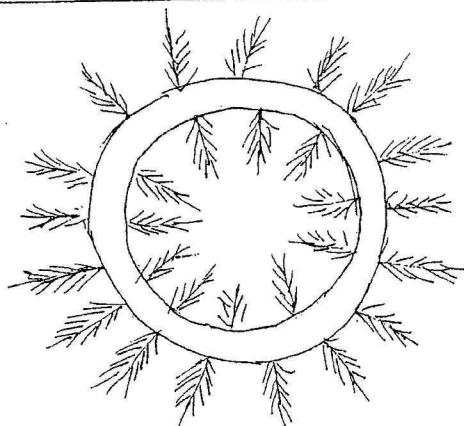
- I. It is such fun to gather the group together and share the plant material! This is a design that can be used at different times of the year. When finished, it looks like so much work and it will be beautiful!
- II. Container: Your leader may order these for you , or you may purchase the round oasis form at a florist or craft store. They come in two sizes: 12 inch and eight inch. Oasis is enclosed in the plastic form. Soak the ring in the sink so that the oasis is full of water if you are going to use fresh plant material. Soak the ring before you go to class. Do not soak the wreath if you are using Dried plant material.
- III. Mechanics : You will need: clippers to cut the plant material. No other mechanics are needed.
- IV. Plant material: The time of year you make the table wreath will determine your choice of flowers, etc.
 - A. Autumn or Thanksgiving –Autumn colors
 - B. Christmas-your choice of Christmas colors
 - C. Holiday of your choice-what you would like
- IV. Examples of greens could be: fir, spruce, P.J.M rhododendron, any small leafed shrubs, holly, etc. The bags of greens that you have cut from your shrubs, or, from a neighbor or friend's shrubs (with their permission) and put them on the table. If you are making a small wreath the greens should be no longer than four inches. Six inches is an ideal length for the 12 inch form. You can not have too many kinds of greens.
- V. Procedure: Start placing the greens on the INSIDE of your ring, alternating the kinds of greens. Fill in so that the oasis does not show. Then, do the same for the OUTSIDE of the ring. The " top" is left. More greens need to be added around the top, leaving space for the flowers. The choice of flowers should be small. Larger flowers are out of proportion and scale to the size of the ring. Add the flowers around the ring, some inside, more on the outside and the dominance of flowers on the top. The flowers need not be cut the same length as the greens. We want to see rhythm. The eye does not want to " jump" from one area to another. Some gradation of the size of flowers adds interest. Depending on the time of year small cones may be added or small pieces of line material such as " Harry Lauder's Walking Stick". Different varieties of willows, etc. may also be added for interest.
- VI. You may add a " hurricane globe" with a candle as illustrated .



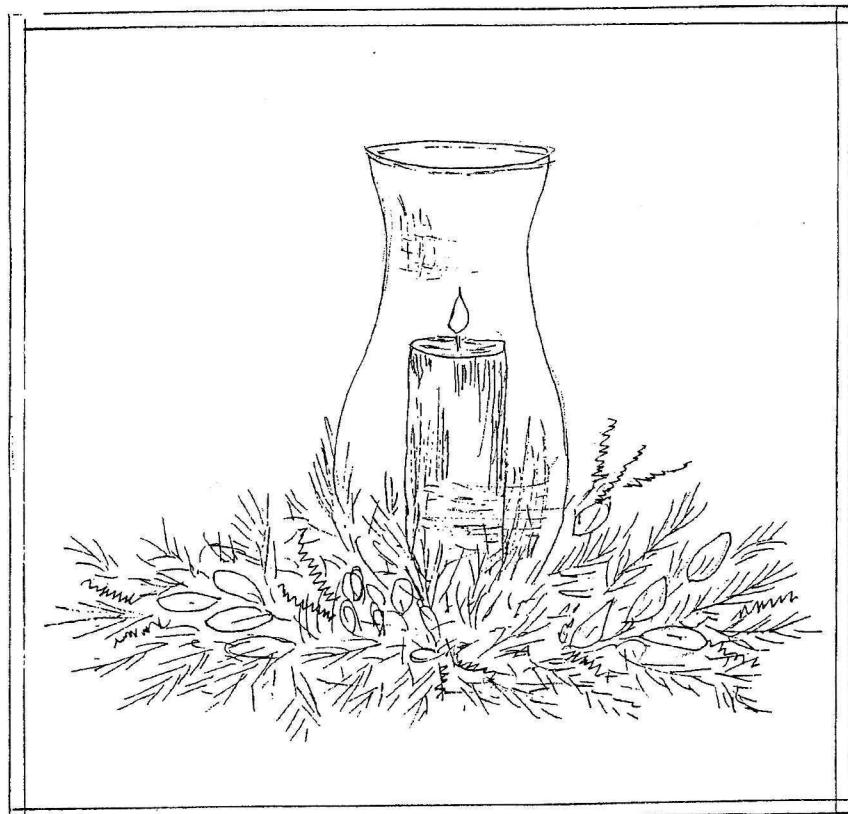
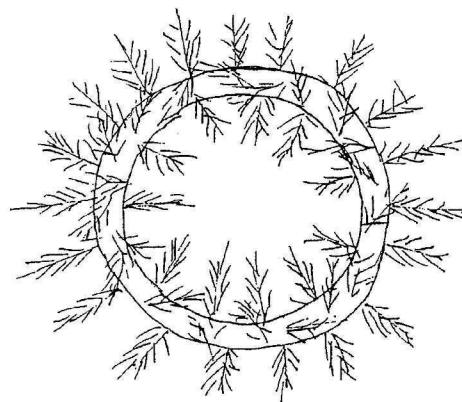
CLIPPERS



WREATH CONTAINER
8" OR 12" WITH OASIS



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