

Merry Mantle Accent



Deck the halls with Dad's old ties and dress shirts! Thrift finds in festive colors are transformed into this simple yet cheerful holiday décor. The bunting adds a pop of color to any entry way or mantle, ensuring your guests arrive to a warm welcome.



You Will Need:

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- Men's silk tie in desired color/pattern (1 or 2 is usually enough)
- Coordinating men's dress shirt in desired color/pattern (or fabric scraps in similar material)

Other supplies

- Seam ripper
- Medium-thick satin ribbon in coordinating color, cut to desired bunting length
- Double stick tape (or no-sew batting)
- Iron

Directions:

- 1) Carefully pull apart all seams on the tie with the seam ripper. Press the tie fabric. Wash, dry and press the dress shirt.
- 2) Cut triangles in the desired size from the tie and dress shirt. Making one group of fabric triangles slightly larger than the other works well. Print out, cut around and trace a triangle shape onto the fabric if you need guidance and to ensure consistency.
- 3) Facing the triangle point down, and with fabric right side up, place a piece of double-sided tape all along the top edge of each triangle.
- 4) Position triangles equidistant along the ribbon and press ribbon onto the double-stick tape to hold (you may also use no sew batting and iron it down).
- 5) Hang bunting along mantle or window and secure in place with tape or small thumbtack.

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