

Morbid Meadows Productions

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Tombstones

What you need:

- 4'x8'x2" sheet of foamboard
- jigsaw
- marker
- measuring tape
- exacto-knife
- computer with printer
- grey latex exterior paint
- spray paint (black, white or green ?)
- small paint roller

Advanced tombstones optional:

- wood trim
- saw for cutting angles
- clamps
- accessories (skulls, bats or etc)
- liquid nail (foamboard)

First you must determine the shape you would like to make your tombstone. There are some traditional shapes or you can make a custom shape. To get some ideas look up tombstones, gravestones or headstones on the internet. Once you have the shape in mind you can make a template from cardboard then trace onto your foamboard or do it freehand like I did. Next go on your computer and print out what you want your tombstone to say using a software program like WORD or PUBLISHER. Print font to actual size you plan to use. Then tape it to your tombstone (see photo below).

You can now begin to carve out the saying using the exacto-knife. once this step is complete paint your tombstone using latex exterior paint. Give it a good coat working paint down into carved out letters. Make sure you give it a good coat.

One coat is all you need if you coat it well. Let dry completely, then spray black paint into carved letters or cracks. let dry, now with the small roller and using latex exterior paint again, paint over the letters making sure NOT TO LET PAINT FLOW DOWN INTO THE BLACK CARVED LETTERS! Just glide the roller across the top of the foamboard. This will give the letters depth. Now take the black and white spray paint and paint your tombstone to give it a marble look.

Keep the spray can appx. 24" away while spraying. Lightly dust it with paint from the two colors. You can also reem out the hole in the spray can nozel to make the paint splatter as it comes out. you just completed a basic tombstone. More

advanced ones are 3 dimensional. Be creative and have fun. Below are some pictures of my stones.

Note: I prefer using old foamboard because it gives an aged look.





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