

Make a pom-pom robin



This Christmas make a robin Christmas decoration inspired by the little robin that shows Emmie the Secret Garden. Make sure you ask an adult to help you make your robin pom-pom as it can be a little tricky.

Instructions for making a pom-pom robin

You will need:

- Brown or grey wool, cut into 75cm lengths (ish)
- Red wool
- Card to wind the pompom round
- Goggly eyes, or eyes made out of card
- Felt for beak (and tail and wings if you feel like it)
- Glue
- Scissors
- Mug and milk bottle top to draw round

1. Cut out two card circles – drawing round a mug is a good size. Now cut an inner circle in each one, about the size of a milk bottle top. Your circles need to be in the same place on both pieces!
2. Now hold the card rings together and start to wind the wool around the rings, through the hole and round the outside. Start with the red wool, just on one side of the rings – this will make your robin's red breast. Then follow with grey/brown all round, until your rings look like a doughnut and it's getting tricky to pull the wool through the middle.
3. Now cut a piece of wool about 30cm long and have it ready. This will hold your robin together and be a hanging loop if you want one. Then hold tight to the doughnut and carefully snip the wool between the two card rings – so you end up with lots of short lengths of wool held in place by the card rings.
4. Take your 30cm piece and thread it between the two rings, then tie it, pulling it tight so it's holding all the wool lengths together. Tie the ends together to make a loop if you want to hang the robin up.
5. Now glue on eyes, add a felt triangle for a beak, and wings and a tail if you like!

