

Art Project: Paper Shoes



Russian Bridesmaid Shoes, Isabelle de Borchgrave, Brussels, 2010, paper, acrylic paint, ink, metallic powder (2012.11.3.1-2)

Contemporary artist Isabelle de Borchgrave takes inspiration from historic fashions to turn ordinary paper into haute couture.

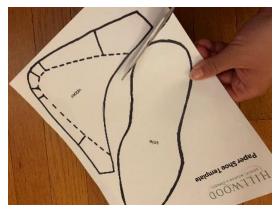
Take your inspiration from Isabelle de Borchgrave to design and decorate your own stylish paper shoes!

Materials:

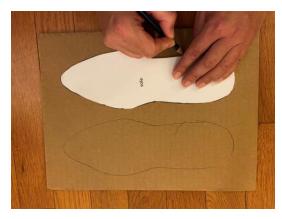


- Cardboard
- Decorative paper
- Decorations, such as ribbon, lace, and rhinestones
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Tape
- Glue

Steps:



1. Print the paper shoe template at the end of this document and cut out the pieces along the solid lines.



2. Trace the sole template on cardboard to provide a solid base for your shoes. Trace the sole twice to create a pair of shoes.



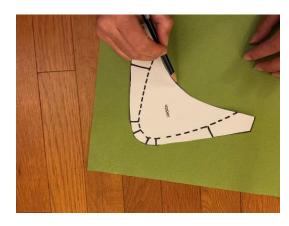
3. Cut the cardboard along the traced lines.



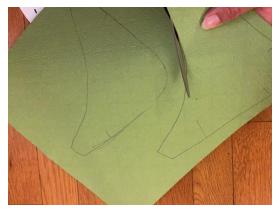
4. Choose paper for the inside of your shoe, trace the cardboard sole on the paper, and cut the paper along the traced lines.



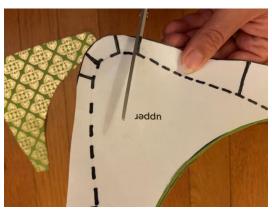
5. Glue the paper to the cardboard.



6. Choose paper for the shoe's upper and trace the template on the paper twice.



7. Cut the paper along the traced lines.



8. Cut tabs in the shoes' uppers following the solid lines marked on the template.



 $9. \;\;$ Fold the tabs and attach them to the cardboard sole with tape or glue.



10. Once the uppers are attached to the soles, the shoes are ready to be decorated.



11. Add decorations, such as ribbon, lace, and rhinestones, and enjoy your stylish paper shoes!

Please share your finished product on social media!



