

Lady Wisteria Free Craft Pattern



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This project takes a doll torso, some fabric and silk flowers to create a beautiful doll fit to be displayed anywhere. As an extra bonus you also get instruction to make an easy to put together stand for the doll.

Materials: 2- 9"X17" rectangles of white fabric, 2- 10" diameter circles of white fabric, 5" diameter wooden circle 1 1/2" diameter wooden wheel, 16" length of 1/4" diameter dowel, Antique Gold paint and paint brush Porcelain head with 1/2 body (about 7" tall), White Perm Enamel and conditioner, Craft Glue, 2 large bushes Purple Wisteria (about 6 bunches of flowers on each bush), Sewing needle and thread, 10yd reel of 1/8" wide white ribbon

Begin by making the doll's stand. Paint the wooden circle, wheel and dowel antique gold. After it has dried, glue the wheel to the center of the circle to form the base. Glue the dowel in the center hole of the wheel to make the stand.

Following Perm enamel instructions, paint a bodice on doll and let dry.

Sew the two rectangles and two circles together, leaving small opening to turn. Turn right side out, press and sew opening closed.

Pull all Wisteria flowers from the bushes, except for the buds. Separate the flower petals from their plastic centers and separate petals into small, medium and large cutting them apart as you go. Glue two rows of the large petals along one long edge of the rectangle. Cut the remaining large petals in half and continuing glue in rows making sure to cover the tops of previous row with next row of petals. Then glue the medium petals and ending with the rows of small petals. Stop about 1" to 1 1/4" from top edge. Let glue dry.

Find the center of the petal skirt along the top edge. Measure out 2" from center, fold skirt at this point toward center and then back again to make a 2" pleat. Sew or glue in place. Repeat on other side of skirt. It should now measure about 6" across the top.

Glue skirt to doll at bottom making sure to cover the holes in her torso and over lapping in the back at waist.

Tear seven leaves from their stems from the Wisteria bush. Lay leaves on a flat surface, overlapping their points with their rounded ends and making continuous line and glue together. After the leaves are dry, glue them around skirt waist making sure to cover the tops of the last row of petals and top of the skirt.

Fold cloth circle in half. Measure 2 1/2" up from fold. Finger-press this line into circle. With needle and thread, baste along this line. Pull tight to gather and knot to secure. Fold at gathers and tack so short end lies down. Glue to center back where skirt sides over lap.

Pull 27 Wisteria buds from the bush. Glue 15 of the 27 Wisteria buds along the bottom long edge of the circle. Glue 7 buds along the folded over, short end of the skirt. Scatter the remaining 5 buds over the circle and glue in place. After it has dried, glue to center back of skirt at leaves.

Cut 3-20" pieces of ribbon. Fold in half staggering ends and glue to center back of doll's head at bun indentation. Carefully glue 14 Wisteria buds around doll's head at her bun being careful to conceal the flower's ends and covering ribbons at back. Randomly glue 10 buds down the ribbon tendrils.

Cut 3 of the bud bunches from one of the bushes. Arrange into a bouquet for the doll to carry. Tie with white ribbon and wrap the ends. Cut 6- 12" pieces of ribbon and randomly tie, staggering their lengths, to the end of the bouquet. Glue 5-7 buds along tendrils.

Set the doll over the stand you made with the dowel going straight up the center and into her head. She should balance perfectly. Finish by gluing the bouquet to her hands.



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