## **Collect and Display**

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## Items used:

#7408Christmas Tree Mini Display Kit#457812-Pc. Blue And White Fève Nativity Set#42554Rustic Planks Flooring/Wallpaper#66059Fir Garland#1249Weldbond GlueInca Gold Metallic Acrylic PaintWired gold metallic ribbonRaffia, natural color and the finer the betterRubber bands (5)

Other items in the scene were crafted and/or purchased from craft stores and other retailers.

Paper before assembling the walls. Lay the walls flat on the wallpaper; trace and cut the contours. Keep decorative material out of joints to assure the kit components continue to fit. Glue in place and let dry. Assemble the walls according to the kit directions.

Paint the star and let dry, or apply the Star Set according to the kit directions.

Bend the garland along the contour of a wall and cut it such that it begins just under the star and ends just touching the work surface. Repeat for the other three edges. Glue in place. Place rubber bands over the garlands at several intervals to keep the garlands in place. Let dry.

Measure and cut ribbon to fit along the front edges of the small, medium and large shelves. Cut four of each size. Glue the ribbon pieces to their corresponding shelves. Let the glue dry. Then install the shelves according to the kit directions.

Now the kit is assembled and decorated. Enjoy arranging your collection of miniatures. The nativity fève work so well with this kit. Refresh the display occasionally by changing out the pieces you choose to display.

Cut the raffia into tiny slivers to resemble manger straw and sprinkle between the characters.

