

DECORATE WITH CHRISTMAS BALLS

Of all the objects that can be used for decorating every room in the house, none are more festive than colored glass balls. The possibilities for arrangement are endless.

Before you start, check your ornaments from previous years. If any seem dusty, and some with rough surfaces might, restore them to their original sparkle by gentle cleaning. Dip cotton sticks into solution of detergent and water, and carefully clean all crevices.



Elegant and easy-to-make

Start with a square styrofoam block, to serve as a pedestal for the tree. Trim in an elegant way, rather than haphazardly, so that full attention focuses on the tree. Gold paper rickrack and metal foil flowers, or seals, are effective. Then, in the center of the foam block, insert the head end of a knitting needle, the 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ " size. Use four glass balls of each size, from large to small. With the largest at the bottom, slip their wire hangers over the needle, setting four upon four until you reach the top. At the top, place a tiny ornament, or a tiny star, upside down.