

Having a child decorate his own tree is a practice that might happily become a tradition in your home. Young children, who don't see the real tree being trimmed (since Santa comes so late at night!), can enjoy a felt tree, attached to a wall of their room. For a real toddler, start at the baseboard, for easy reaching. Cut out cardboard in the shape you want and cover it with green felt. Give him gummed seals, gummed ribbon, a damp sponge, a blunt scissors, strings of tiny bead-ornaments, miniatures of all sorts, ribbon bows from last year, and a pot of paste. Let him paste away to his heart's content, not necessarily all at once; he might well love to stretch the project out for days.



