

Great
Plywood Project

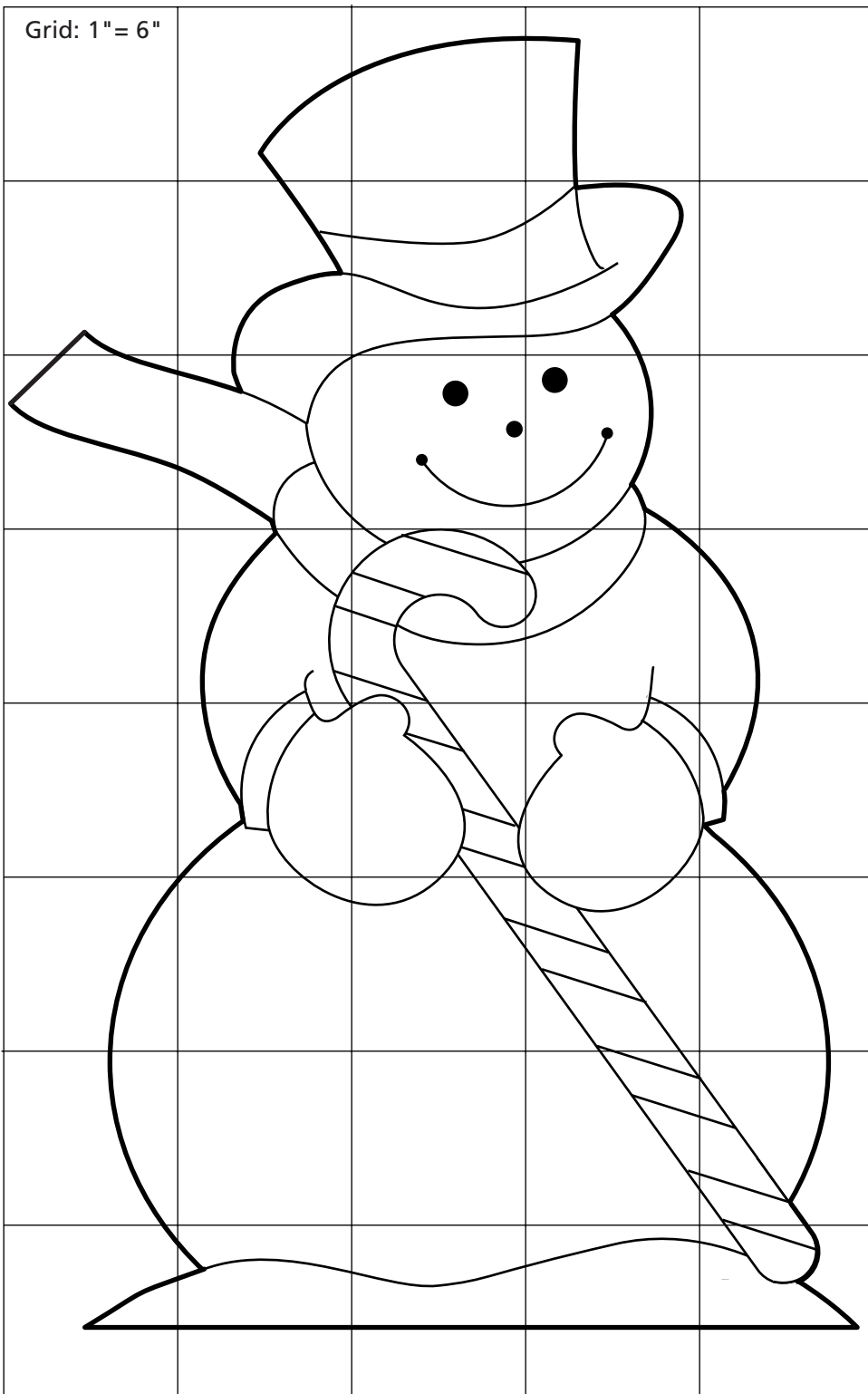
Snowman Yard Accent



- Fun family project
- Simple to make
- Adds a festive touch to your front yard

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Finished Size: Approximately 2-1/2' x 4'



Woodworking: Festive & Fun

Here's an easy woodworking project to help put you in the holiday spirit.

Materials List

- 1 Georgia-Pacific B-C Pine Plywood Panel, 19/32" thickness (makes 2 snowmen)
- Jigsaw, sabre saw or similar power tool with plywood-cutting blade
- Transfer paper or carbon paper (at craft store)
- Large paper or grid paper
- Sandpaper or electric sander
- 3' strip of lumber or plywood, approximately 2" wide x 1/2" thick
- 3" strap hinge and six 1/2" screws
- Primer
- Red, white, blue, yellow, black and dark gray acrylic paint
- Brushes: 1/2" and 1-1/2" for solid areas, 1/8" for outlining

Directions:

1. Select a 4'x8' sheet of G-P B-C Pine Plywood; we recommend a 19/32" thickness for sturdiness and durability.
2. Enlarge the pattern to the actual size by redrawing on large paper or grid paper. Or, take this pattern to a copy service and ask for a 6X enlargement.
3. Transfer the full-sized patterns onto the plywood. Use pushpins or tape to fasten the full-sized pattern onto the plywood. Insert carbon paper or transfer paper under the pattern, and trace the pattern with a ballpoint pen or carpenter's pencil. An outline of the snowman will be created on the wood.
4. Use a jigsaw with a plywood-cutting blade to cut the shape from the plywood. Support the pieces on sawhorses for easier cutting. Sand the edges with sandpaper or an electric sander.
5. To display the snowman in an upright position, you'll need a supporting strip of lumber or plywood cut to 3 feet in length, approximately 2" wide. Center the strip on the reverse side of the cutout at a point 3 feet from the base and attach with a 3" strap hinge with 1/2" screws.
6. Choose your favorite colors of water-based latex paint to decorate your snowman and protect the plywood material. Apply several coats of primer, then paint the snowman. Be sure to paint the plywood edges to prevent moisture from penetrating the plywood edges.
7. After the paint dries thoroughly, your snowman is ready to display and enjoy! When your yard decoration is not in use, you'll want to store it in a dry, protected location for next season.