

“Carving a Santa Ornament” slide show notes

1	Draw pattern on blank	17	Remove wedge on sides of nose, below hat
2	Remove excess wood to pattern line	18	Draw mustache lines below nose
3	Flatten front edge to approx. ¼” wide	19	Outline mustache lines
4	Draw hat brim and nose	20	Remove wood between mustache lines
5	Outline brim and nose	21	Shape mustache
6	Taper hat above brim	22	Form mouth with 3 plunge cuts
7	Taper beard below nose & hat	23	Define bottom of lip with V-tool or knife
8	Round nose & brim	24	Draw hair flow-lines on beard
9	Draw tassel	25	Texture beard with gouge
10	Outline tassel	26	Texture beard with V-tool
11	Shape tassel	27	Texture hat brim and tassel with small gouge
12	Shape hat above brim and around tassel	28	Finish with acrylic paint and seal with clear matte-spray
13	Mark hat fold	29	Optional designs using same pattern: - hat change makes a hillbilly - hat and nose change, with added cheeks, makes a wizard
14	Cut hat fold		
15	Add creases to hat		
16	Shape beard		

To complete your ornament, install a small eyelet screw for hanging.

You can also make a hanger out of a new fishing hook (I use the brass-colored ones):

- Using wire cutters, cut off the curved portion of a fishing hook, leaving the straight shank and eye. (5/8 to 3/4 inch long works for me.)
- Sharpen the shank (file, grinder, etc.)
- Carefully insert the shank into the top of the ornament using a pair of pliers. I like to hold the shank with the pliers, hold the pliers against the edge of a work bench, and push the carving onto the shank. Insert the shank until only the eyelet shows.

A 9” piece of metallic cord fed through the eyelet, and then tying the ends, serves well as a hanger. Don’t forget to sign your carving!