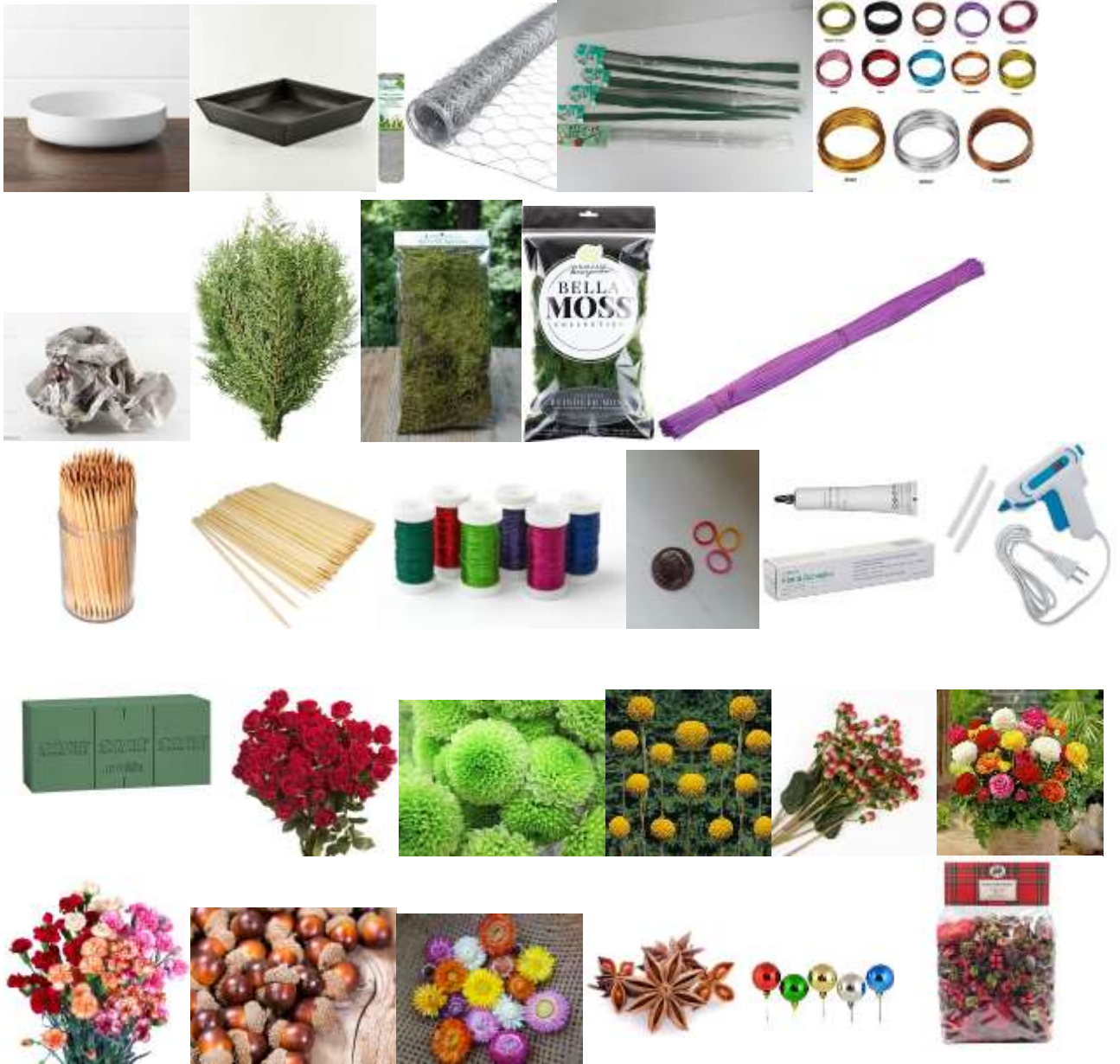


Materials for Modern Approach to the Holiday Centerpiece Class

Photos are for reference only – your materials may vary from what is pictured.



Supplies

1. A low profile container such as a liner/drip pan or a low square container. Aim for about 12 inches across. See picture for examples.

2. Chicken wire - enough to form a Christmas tree that is at least a foot and a half tall.
3. 18 gauge wire or thicker. This will give our tree its top. Have at least 25 pieces available, 12 inches long or longer. You can substitute a roll of aluminum wire.
4. Filler for the inside of the tree. I usually use plastic bags or newspaper but you can also use sheet moss if you want your live items to last longer.
6. Winter greens to cover the bottom half of your tree, i.e. cedar, pine, boxwood, noble fir, etc. This design works with any greens but should be all one kind. Aim for one consumer bunch.
7. A bag of sheet **OR** reindeer moss. This will cover the upper part of your tree. Between the greens and the moss, this will cover the entirety of your tree.
8. Small flowers in your choice of color. Aim for spray roses, spray carnations, hypericum berries, ranunculus, etc. Look for round flowers the size of peas, pearls, pennies, dimes and nickels and quarters. Heavy preference for round flowers only, as this will come into play with the design. These will form a garland around your tree. They may also cover the surface surrounding your tree. I would aim for a bunch of open spray roses/ranunculus/spray carnations/mums, 7-10 stems and a bunch or two of hypericum berries. Berries are usually in bunches of 3 at the grocery store.
8. Tiny elements such as star anise, acorns, TINY pinecones, millimeter balls, etc. Keep the size comparable to your flowers above. I would also spray paint any elements to match the colors of your flowers. ***Easy cheat** Google winter potpourri, that will give you a good mix and amount. I added a picture for reference.
9. A small bundle of midollino sticks. If you google them you will find a link to Lowes website who has a pretty good price. Look for a color that pops off your base flower color. We want these to stand out. You can substitute with toothpicks and kabob skewers if needed, but paint them a color.
10. A roll of oasis spool wire in either green, gold or whatever color your midollino sticks are. This will be used for your tree and the midollino sticks.
- ***11. If using toothpicks or kebob skewers then you will need tiny rubber bands in either black or matching toothpick/kabob color
12. A tube of oasis cold glue.
13. Hot glue gun may be needed

14. Enough **WET** oasis to cover the area of your dish. This will be your water source for any flowers that cover the area not occupied by your tree.