

Ojo De Dios

“Eye of God ”

- Ojo De Dios (pronounced oh-ho day deeyos) is a traditional craft done by the Huichol (pronounced wee-chole) people of Mexico.
- The 4 sticks originally represented earth, wind, water and fire.
- The craft has been adopted by other people in Mexico and is now a popular gift for a child.
- Usually a father weaves the inside “eye” and then builds out an additional eye each year, as the child grows older, for the first 5 years.
- It’s a sweet gift meant to keep a child safe and bring them health and happiness.
- Why don’t you hang yours up as decoration?

DIRECTIONS

1. Take your craft sticks & place them in a cross shape. (You might want to stick them together with glue or tape to be easier for little hands to handle)
2. Wrap your yarn around the center of the cross a few times until it feels secure.
3. Begin wrapping by going around one stick, and then in a turning motion go over the next two, then under one, over two, etc, in a clockwise motion. Keep repeating this movement.
4. The pattern will grow as you build outward, creating a square pattern
5. To add in a new color, tie the new color to the end of the first color and continue weaving and wrapping.
6. Tie the end to secure your design.
7. Leave some loose wool at the end so you can hang your Ojo de Dios up and enjoy it.



THIS CRAFT TEACHES:

Fine motor skills
 Strengthening of pincer grip (great for writing)
 Pattern & design awareness
 Concentration
 Creativity

SUPPLIES:

wool
 popsicle sticks

