

## CHILI PEPPER KITCHEN SIGN



The Artful Stencil project by Joni Prittie



Winter has gone and it feels like time for color and spice in life once again!

We decided to spice up our kitchen with a simple but colorful chili pepper garland stenciled on a wooden plaque.

The plaque or sign shape, if you will, is painted lightly with white paint to allow the wood grain to show. The border is washed with a green acrylic paint that has been diluted in water for a watercolor effect.

The entire project took just one hour!



### CHILI PEPPER GARLAND KITCHEN SIGN

#### MATERIALS

- 1 - Chili Garland stencil from The Artful Stencil - stencil measures 4" x 12.5"
- 1 - 6" x 16.25" unfinished wooden sign plaque
- Acrylic paint - white, barn red, yellow ochre, moss green and brown

#### Tools:

Blue painter's tape, paint brush for plaque, medium size stencil brush, water, paper towels, small paint plate.

#### Step 1

Using white paint mixed with a small percent of water, paint center area with one coat of paint to allow some wood grain to show.

#### Step 2

Using green paint mixed half and half with water, apply a wash of green to the outer border of wooden plaque. Allow paint to dry before stenciling.

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#### Step 3

Position stencil in center of plaque and secure with tape.

#### Step 4

Beginning at the top of your stencil and working downward...

Stencil top chili stems brown.

Stencil bow and streamers moss green.

Stencil chili peppers with red and then mix some red with the ochre paint and stencil here and there for a highlight effect on the peppers.

Allow paint to dry completely before removing your stencil.

You may add a coat of acrylic varnish to your plaque if you wish.

Here are some color variation ideas that are good as a base coat if you do not wish to use white paint.

