

Crazy Cat Lady Tree

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Some months ago I saw a posting for this hilarious crazy cat lady tree, and I was so taken with it that I wanted to make a similar one of my own.



I'd have loved a white tree like the original, but I was lucky enough to find this two-foot tree at a local thrift shop for only \$2.50. It's perfect, since I don't have room for another full-sized tree, and green will have to do.

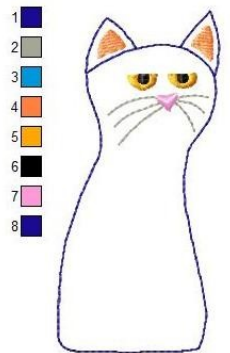
I started by making an embroidery design similar to the cats from the original tree, and sized them to 4" tall –

perfect for my mini tree. Black cats show up well on the white tree, but not so much on my green one, so I made my cats in multiple colours, striped and plain, black and



white and grey and orange. I made fifteen in all.

Their whiskers are made of fishing line – dang cute if you ask me! I also made a version of the pattern with stitched-on whiskers if the fishing line ones are too much trouble.



Once I had the little cats stitched up and stuffed, I attached them to the tree with short wire hooks, distributing them more or less evenly around the tree. (You can just see the hook in the photo at right). I pinched the hooks tight to keep the cats in place because I think I'm going to store this tree with the decorations already on it. To finish it up, I added some small Christmas baubles.



I'm delighted with how my little tree turned out and have placed it in a window where it looks very festive.