



Ed-Digenous Traditions

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Instructions

1. First, apply glue one hole at a time as you stick in a pole and directly across from the first pole do the same to the rest of the poles going around as you go.
2. Use the one (1) piece of sinew to wrap around at the top of the Tee Pee approximately 1 inch from the top of the structure. Tie 3 knots for a secure hold.
3. You have the option to design your Tee Pee with Markers or paint before commencing to apply the skin on the Tee Pee (on the lighter side of the skin piece.)
4. Punch matching small holes into both sides of entrance flaps- insert short sticks snugly
5. Fold back the top flaps of skin and punch a small hole near the high point of each stick.
6. Insert sticks between flaps and glue to the ground at matching angle and enjoy

Materials

- Glue gun
- Ten (10) pieces of Tee Pee Poles
- Two (2) Front Flap Poles
- One (1) piece of paper 8 ½ x 11 for the platform of the base to prevent glue dripping onto the table.
- Optional - Glue on with Lepage's White glue onto the base after Tee Pee is completed. You may spread grass, crushed leaves and twigs onto the bottom of your tipi to give it a more authentic look. You may also add small stones outside of the front opening to create a fire pit.
- The final addition, two (2) flap poles to open top area
- Five (5) pieces of 1" sticks for closing skin flaps together on the entrance side.
- Awl or small paper punch or leather hole punch