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There are many reasons this project is a favorite Christmas project of mine. It is easy and inexpensive to make. It makes a great impact. It is easy to store between holidays and of course... it is felt. I just love felt! I paired the felt trees with small glass vases, some feathers and pine cones for a natural look and feel.

I made 8 large and 8 small trees. The larger ones are 13 inches tall and the small ones are 9 inches tall. To make the cones, I cut a pattern out of craft paper that is an 1/8th of a circle with an added 1/4 inch seam allowance on both sides.

I made the bottom a circular shape by folding my pattern in fourths, then making a cut mark at the edge. Unfolded to a half fold and cut from mark to mark in a circular path.

I cut my shapes out of white felt. Before I sewed the large cones up, I punched holes in them with my Making Memories hammer and hole puncher. Just randomly.

The smaller triangles I just sewed together without making any holes in them.

I found it was best to start from the bottom of the trees so that those edges line up. The top is more forgiving.

I used a chop stick to turn the trees inside out to get the pointy tip - - - pointy.

Now the real trick of my little village is that I put LED battery powered tea light under the eight large cones. Come dark, I can turn them on and get a really fun light-house effect.

Here is a gif to illustrate the flicker effect.

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