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Baseball Key Chain Made from a Real Baseball

Great gift idea!

Help Video: youtube.com/naztazia

Look for the video "Baseball Keychain"

Step 1: Carefully cut the red threads on the baseball with a thin, sharp pair of scissors or an Exacto (or utility) knife. You can see how this is done in the video: http://youtube.com/naztazia

Step 2: Once completed, pull off the leather sections from the baseball core. Use tweezers to pick out any remaining red threads.

Step 3: Cut a 40" piece of embroidery floss and thread a needle. Knot the other end.

Step 4: Fold one leather section in half, and with embroidery floss, sew around the edges, entering and exiting the pre-existing holes from the baseball. Finish off by cutting excess thread (and put a dab of E6000 glue to hold the floss inside the leather if desired).

Step 5: Make a hole near the top of the leather keychain for the grommet (also known as an eyelet). I use a combination of an awl, Exacto knife and sharp pointy scissors. See the video: http://youtube.com/naztazia

Step 6: Install the grommet/eyelet with the setting tool according to the instructions on the package.

Step 7: Open up and insert the key chain loop through the hole in the grommet.

Step 8: To add a decoration, use E6000 glue according to the package instructions. See the video for decorating ideas: http://youtube.com/naztazia



Be sure to check out the YouTube video for this project if you need assistance with any step: youtube.com/naztazia (look for baseball keychain)

Materials:

- 1 baseball
- Eyelet/Grommet set 5/16" (8mm) – you will need one pair of eyelets (grommets) plus the setting tool
- 1 skein of embroidery floss (sample used red color)
- 1 key chain loop
- Scissors and sewing needle

Optional but Useful Items:

- Tweezers (for pulling out the cut threads)
- Exacto or other utility knife (helps with cutting)
- **Awl** (helps with piercing the leather)
- Decoration
- E6000 brand glue (for gluing on the decoration)

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