

How to Make an Easter Tree

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

FRESHLY CUT SPRING BRANCHES

A POT OR VASE

4-6" RIBBON CUTTINGS

COLORFUL FEATHERS AND WIRE TO ATTACH (OPTIONAL)

YOUR FAVORITE SPRING ORNAMENTS

The beginning of spring means it is time to make your Easter Tree or Påskris – a popular tradition in Sweden. Creating your own Easter tree is a fun and easy way to usher in spring and bring the outside in. Some Swedes say the Easter Tree symbolizes the sweeping away of winter. The twigs represent a broom and the feathers get caught in the broom as we sweep. In the markets of Sweden you will see buckets and baskets filled with colorful feathers and ribbons for Påskris in March and April.

Trim enough spring branches to fill your vase (almost any tree will work). Add water, put in a sunny spot, and arrange. The water and sunlight will force the spring buds to open on the cut branches, which is why cutting fresh is more traditional than finding fallen twigs.

Attach ribbons and feathers to each branch to create a colorful display!

Place Easter ornaments to your liking.

Enjoy!

