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Turkey kit 02/03 Fan/Beard Mounting Instructions

Included Materials:

1. (1) Fan Plate
2. (1) Beard Plate
3. (2) #8 x 1 ¼" Screw
4. (5) Small Tacks
5. (1) Borax

1. Removal of Tail from Turkey.

When cutting the tail off be sure to take several inches of extra skin from around the tail, you may trim off the extra skin leaving only the feathers that you want to display.

2. Clean Fat and Flesh off of Tail and Beard.

Remove all the fat and flesh by cutting and scraping with a knife. It may also help to use wire brush to remove some of the fat and flesh. At this time you should also remove the piece of back bone.

3. Clean Feathers if Dirty.

If feathers are dirty you may clean them by rinsing them in warm water with dish soap such as Dawn dish soap. After the dirt has been removed rinse the feathers in clean water. Then dry them in front of a fan or use a hair dryer on low heat. This step may be bypassed if feathers are clean.

4. Rub Borax on End of Tail and Beard.

After the tail is dry, rub the borax on the end of tail and beard. This will help dry and preserve your mount.

5. Spread Feathers and Allow to Dry.

Using the tacks, pin the fan to the back of the fan plate, or on a separate board, in the position you desire to look when finished. Now let the fan dry. Drying times will vary but should be close to 3-5 Weeks.

6. Assembling the Mount.

Once the fan is dry, dust off any excess borax, and insert in fan plate. To mount the beard place beard in the small notch cut out in the back of the fan plate and use to tack to secure beard. Using the 1 ¼" screws mount the beard plate to the back of the fan plate. Your mount is now ready to be displayed.