

Doors

Paint the bottoms black, make the paint thick, then while its still wet streak in some white, don't play with it too much or you'll end up with a gray color. It makes a neat granite effect.

To make the torches for the doors. I bought the smallest screws I could find at the hardware store. Using steel or brass is up to you. I used a flat Phillip head type screw. Grinding took a long time. Buy the cheapest pair of Chinese made pliers you can get. Look in the dollar specials at the hardware store. You got to make a special pair of pliers to hold onto the screws while you are grinding them. Here's what you do.

Take the pliers apart and with a hacksaw or cutting wheel make a deep notch into the teeth part of the pliers. It's important that the notches are cut in the same place on both pieces. Be careful to leave a tiny bit on the edge of the pliers or they're ruined. It's all right if you make a thick tooth. I did and then you put the pliers back together and grind the tip down to where you get a really sharp tooth on the end of the pliers. Now you got a pair of pliers that will hold onto the screws as you grind them.

You got to have a grinding wheel to make your cuts on the screws. If you don't have one maybe a friend does. First flatten one side of the head. This side goes against the cardboard of the door. Next grind down the threads on the same side as the flat part of the head. The next three cuts are made on the threads of the screw. Make the first as high as you can, on one side, but leave one thread on top. Make the second cut on the other side and the third cut is made on the front. You don't have to go deep. Just take out the threads leaving one on top and a couple on the bottom. There's your torch.

Glue it to the door and then take a hot glue gun. Starting at the top of the screw make a small glob. Then pull away slowly, as you pull move to the inside of the door, pull a little more, then pull to the edge of the door, cut off the glue on the edge of the cardboard. The wiggle movements you made make a neat little flame. When the glue is dry paint it red, thickly and the blend in some yellow. Give all your doors 2 coats of polyurethane.

Fireplace

I like to cut the mantel of the fireplace very carefully and when the rest of the fireplace is folded back I fold the mantel forward. This greatly weakens the piece. Use poster board to cut out a back. It's hard, take your time measuring and cutting and then glue the back on. This will return the strength to the Fireplace.

Using poster board I make a little flat piece to top off the mantel and the top sides of the fireplace. That back piece only glues to the top and bottom. I put a photo in the photo section of this web sight.

Tiles

There are a couple of tiles that can be made into 3-d.

Kellar's Keep came with stairs. I made a copy of the tiles together, making them 2 spaces wide. Took my measurements and made little 3-d stairs. All they do is go up and down, but it looks pretty cool on the board.

The Cloud of Chaos can be made into 3-d by cutting a 1-inch piece of wood. Use the left over from your box. Make the piece of wood a little bigger than the tile, but it's still got to fit into a 16 square room that has 4 doors, so not too much bigger. In some areas you can go out pretty far and in some areas you got to stay very close. Cut the shape out and round the edges to fit the tile. Glue the tile to the wood and paint whatever colors you like. Polyurethane it, poly everything!!

Go to Wal-Mart and at the gumball section you can get a small bouncy ball for a quarter. Glue that ball to a tile and paint it to look like a rolling Rock Trap.

Take that third bookcase top that you made with the rock hard putty and glue the Forge tile to the top. Cut a small piece of wood to make legs and you got a 3-d Forge.

Return of the Witch Lord

I made the 4 coffins 3-d. Just cut a block of wood any way you like. I made 2 dabs of hot glue on the sides, let them dry, and then glued a round tooth pick to them to make handles

Elf Quest

Make color copies of the mirrors. Then first trace the outline of the mirror over a piece of albumin foil; this will give you a perfect size to cut out. Then glued the color copy to poster board and then glue your small piece of alumni foil to make them more life like, shiny side up. The backs are painted brown.