









# GIFT GIVING IDEAS FOR ANY OCCASION

12 ideas for gift giving throughout the year

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# BASIC SUPPLIES

This is a basic supply list that will get you through most of the crafts in this book. Each specific craft has it's own supply list as there may be a few supplies there that are not listed here, so please check the supply list for each craft before starting. Most craft supplies needed in this book can be found at your local craft store: Michaels, JoAnns, Walmart, etc.

Scissors Craft glue (tacky glue is my personal favorite or glue dots) Glue stick Crayons, colored pencils, markers (pick your coloring weapon of choice) White printer paper Colored cardstock paper Paper plates Hole punch Stickers Cellophane wrapping paper Cellophane bags Double sided tape Ribbon Craft paint Sponge brush Fat-quarter of fabric

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### Painted Fabric Wrapping

#### STEPS

- 1. Lay out your fabric on a large piece of newspaper. This will help keep the paint off your table, as it might soak through the fabric.
- 2. Dip your circle paint brush in paint and press only one half of the circle onto the fabric, right at the edge. This will create a scalloped look on the edge of your fabric. (This is where the newspaper comes in handy).
- 3. Paint half circles all the way around your fabric's edge. Let this paint dry completely.
- 4. Once the paint is dry, add in your treats or gift to the center of the laid out fabric. Gather up each corner of the fabric to the center and tie around your ribbon to close the gift.

- 1 fat quarter of fabric, light color preferred
- craft paint, fabric paint preferred for washing after if desired
- · circle sponge paint brush
- newspaper
- · 2 feet of ribbon





#### STEPS

- 1. With your colored paper and scissors, cut out a heart shape about 2-3 inches in size. I like to fold my paper in half and cut out a half of a heart on the fold, that way I get an evenly shaped heart.
- 2. Using your hole punch, punch holes all around your heart. Keep them at least 2-3 cm apart in distance.
- 3. Cut a 2-3 foot piece of yarn and add a small piece of tape to one end, helping with the lacing.
- 4. Lace your yarn through each hole, starting with the top middle hole and ending with that same hole. You can lace your yarn up and down or around and around. Each method gives the tag a fun look.
- 5. When the lacing is done, tie the ends off in a knot about 3 inches from the heart, creating a place for the gift tag to hang on the present.

- colored paper, any print or style – heavier paper preferred
- · hole punch
- yarn
- scissors





# Ribbon Threaded Cellophane Treat Bag

#### STEPS

- 1. Lay out your cellophane bag flat and closed. With your hole punch, punch holes in the plastic cellophane bag about 3 inches down from the top. You will want to punch about 8 holes across.
- 2. Once you open the bag, you will see you punched through some of the bag's folds, creating 12 or so holes after it's open.
- 3. Take your ribbon and thread it through, back and forth, between all the punched holes.
- 4. Leave your ribbon untied as you fill your bag with shredded paper filling, your treat or gift.
- 5. Tie off the ends of the ribbon together in a knot or bow and it's ready to gift.

- · small cellophane treat bags
- hole punch
- ribbon
- · shredded paper filling optional







### Ribbon Wrapped Baskets

#### STEPS

#### **OPTION 1 – RED BASKET:**

Cut several little strips of ribbon 5-6 inches long, about 18-20. I used 2 different colors of ribbon to make it pop and tied each piece of ribbon around the handle into a knot. So easy!

#### **OPTION 2 – BLUE BASKET:**

Simply wrap each handle around and around with ribbon. It's best to add a glue dot or piece of tape to hold the ribbon in place at one end. Then tie the two ends together when they meet at the other end of the handle. Cute!

#### **OPTION 3 – WHITE BASKET:**

Cut out 2-3 colors of ribbon to thread through the holes of the basket. On most baskets I've seen, the holes are uneven and odd numbered, so they may not match when you thread them through to the other side. But do your best to alternate holes and tie the two ends together when they meet again.

- plastic baskets with holes in the sides
- ribbon, any color or width, 3-4 feet in length for each basket
- scissors





#### STEPS

- 1. Place your bottle in the center of the towel. Wrap each side of the towel up the bottle.
- 2. Tie it all off with ribbon. That's it! Super easy.

- bottle of bubbly wine, champagne, sparkling cider
- flour sack towel or tea towel purchased at the Dollar Store
- 3-4 feet of ribbon





# Painted Cellophane Gift Wrap

#### STEPS

- 1. Lay out your cellophane sheet on the table. Apply a tablespoon or so of paint onto the paper plate. Using your sponge or paint brush, paint onto the cellophane. You can make fun circles or any design you'd like.
- 2. Allow these to dry, it shouldn't take more than a couple of hours if your paint isn't too thick. Once the paint is dry, place some treats in the center of the cellophane (with the painted side out) and wrap it all up, attaching a ribbon to close up the top.

- cellophane wrapping paper – cut into 24 inch square sheets
- craft paint
- paper plate
- sponges, paint brushes
- ribbon







# Paper Cone Treat Bags

#### STEPS

- 1. Cut your paper into a quarter circle shape, with a curve at the top. How wide your angle is will create a more fat or thin cone.
- 2. Add double sided tape or glue to one side of the "inside" of the paper. Roll it up to form a cone shape, and press your tape or glue to the outside of the cone to secure it in place.
- 3. Place a small piece of double sided tape or glue to one side of ribbon, folding over one edge to make the end not fray, and tape or glue it to the outside or inside of the cone. Add tape or glue to the other end of the ribbon and attach it to the opposite side of the cone. This will form a handle to hang your paper cone if you choose.
- 4. Fill your cone with treats!

- 1 sheet of paper (8 inch square for the cone shown)
- scissors
- double sided tape or glue
- ribbon, cut 8-10 inches







### Handmade Felt Envelopes

#### STEPS

- 1. With your cut in half piece of felt, you will need to make two more cuts at the top, making it have a sort of trapezoid shape at the top of a rectangle. This trapezoid shape will be the top flap to your envelope.
- 2. Fold your up felt to match the top of the two corners, leaving the top flap for folding over later.
- 3. Thread your needle with your green floss and stitch up a simple in-out-and-around stitch up both sides of the envelope.
- 4. Sew on a button about 1 inch from the top opening of the envelope, and cut a small hole on the top flap to match the button.
- 5. Button up your envelope and it's ready to gift.

- one piece of red felt, cut in half horizontally – you want a long rectangle
- green embroidery thread – use all 6 strands of your floss
- one button
- · cross-stitch needle
- scissors





# Candy Cane Mason Jar

#### STEPS

- 1. Add painter's tape to your jar, making solid taped lines all the way around the bottle. Do this 3 or 4 more times around the jar, creating stripes on the mason jar.
- 2. Using your paint brush, paint only on the clear glass stripes. It will be okay if you paint over the painter's tape, it's there just in case you go over the line.
- 3. Repeat step 2 a few more times. You will need to add 3-4 coats of paint to make your color come in solid on the glass. Let this paint dry completely.
- Once the paint is dry, remove your painters tape and fill your jar with candies.
- 5. Replace the lid on the jar and tie a ribbon around the edge of the lid. You can glue this ribbon in place if necessary.

- · large clean, dry mason jar
- red craft paint
- painters tape 1 to 1 ½ inch width
- paint brush
- ribbon or ric-rac
- candy cane or peppermint candies





#### STEPS

- 1. Punch holes about every inch or two all the way around. Then pick a spot to start and thread the ribbon through each hole.
- 2. There are a few ways you can thread the ribbon. It can be up and down or around and around. Both look pretty, so it just depends on your preference. It was easier for my kids to thread the ribbon around and around.
- 3. Once the ribbon has been through each hole, make sure both ends are even to tie it together in a bow.

- paper plates, any color or size (you can use plastic plates, but they're harder to punch)
- hole punch
- ribbon, craft ribbon or curling ribbon 3/8 inch width is best





# Holiday Paper Pockets

#### STEPS

- 1. Cut your paper to your desired length. Fold your cardstock paper in half. You can fold this vertical or horizontal, depending on the size and look you want.
- 2. Using double sided tape, tape both sides of the paper together to form your pocket.
- 3. Once your card is folded and taped, it's ready to get decorated. Cut out fun paper shapes with paper or embellish your pocket with holiday stickers or stamps.
- 4. Add a message to the outside of your pocket with either letter stickers or your marker. Now it's ready to be filled with all kinds of goodies.

- cardstock paper sheet
   any size or color
- paper scraps for decorating
- double sided tape or glue
- markers or letter stickers







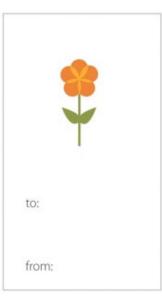
# Printable Gift Tags for Any Occasion

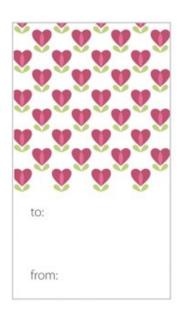
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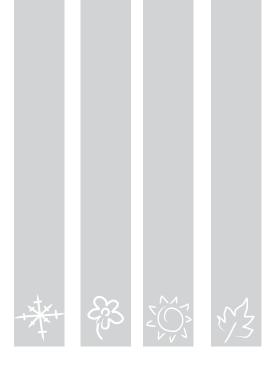












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