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# Holiday Gift Idea Exchange

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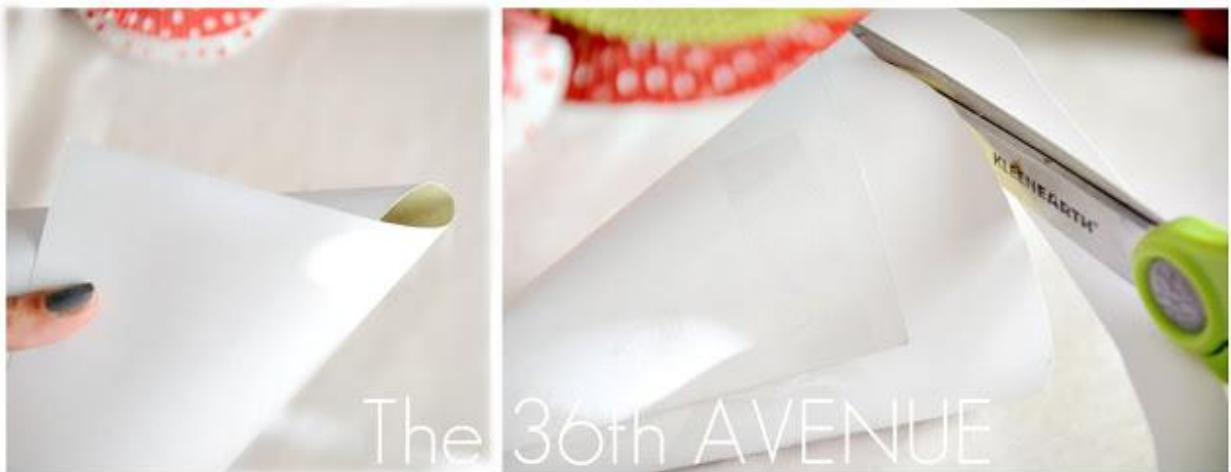
# CUPCAKE LINER CHRISTMAS TREES

Presented by: The Leifeste Family, Cameron 4-H

## **Items needed:**

- \* Cardstock
- \* Christmas cupcake liners
- \* Scissors
- \* Tape

**Step 1:** First off, you need to make the cones with your cardstock. Tape ends well so the cones hold their shape. Then cut the excess of the bottom so they can stand up straight. The amount that you cut will determine the size of your tree. You can make them tall and skinny or short and chubby...any way you prefer!



**Step 2:** Now you will need to cut out the center of your cupcake liners. The only part you will need is the pretty ruffle part. However, save a few of the centers as you will use those in step 4.



**Step 3:** The next step is to start taping the ruffles from the bottom of the tree to the top. You may need to use multiple ruffles for one layer of the tree. Don't worry if it's not perfect...it will look GREAT in the end!



**Step 4:** Before you reach the top, cover the tip of the tree with one of the centers of the liners. After it is taped and secured finish the last ruffle layer and your tree is complete. Look how fun they are!

**Note:** These are super easy and so affordable to make. Kids of all ages can help with this. It makes for a fun family activity. They are very cute and whimsical and would look great on your mantle with your "Elf on the Shelf". Or how about giving them to loved ones as homemade Christmas gifts? Everyone loves a special homemade gift!



*Merry Christmas!!*

# Christmas Candy Jars

by: Natalynn Freeman

Supplies:

- 3 inch claypot
- 2 inch clay pot
- small ivy bowls
- 1 medium ivy bowl
- wooden balls
- 1 bottle each of red, Christmas green, black, and metallic gold acrylic paint
- 1 jar of fake snow
- 1 can of clear sealer
- Hot glue gun and glue sticks or E-6000 glue



Paint clay pots, drip trays, and wooden balls as shown in picture. Spray with clear sealer. Hot glue or use E-6000 to attach the ivy bowls to the pots.

Add your favorite candy or cookie for a enjoyable holiday decoration and snack bowl.

# Jingle Bell Frames

## By Luke Holcomb

Supplies Needed:

- Pen
- Insert paper from frame
- Scrapbooking Paper
- Scissors
- Frame- wide enough to put jingle bells in
- Stickers- optional
- Jingle Bells (10-15 depending on size of frame)



1. Take scrapbooking paper and insert from frame and outline the insert on the scrapbook paper
2. Cut the scrapbooking paper
3. Place stickers on glass of frame or on scrapbook paper
4. Place jingle bells- any color you like in frame
5. Add scrapbooking paper then backing of frame
6. Seal the back of the frame.

Enjoy!

# Santa Tulle Wreath

Presented by: Carlie Eason

For this wreath you'll need:

50 yards of White Tulle on a Spool, cut to 15" pieces  
12" wreath form  
1 adult sized santa hat  
1 scrap piece of ribbon and needle and thread  
Hot glue gun, scissors, pen

I based the size of my wreath form on the Santa hat I found. I'd recommend taking your hat with you to look for wreaths, and seeing what size works best.



First, place the hat on your wreath and mark where it each side ends on the wreath. Then you'll only have to tie your tulle around to those marks.

If you have a green wreath, like I do, it doesn't hurt to quickly wrap some white tulle around it to minimize the chance of the green showing through. If you have a white wreath, you're good to go.

Start tying your 15" white tulle strips around the wreath, from one mark to the other. A simple knot will do just fine.



If you are planning to add a mustache to your Santa wreath, wrap and tie a piece of tulle around the wreath, about 2 inches below where the tulle will meet the hat



For the mustache, cut the remaining 15" tulle strips in half. Then tie them around the piece of tulle you wrapped around the middle of the wreath. Again, a simple knot is all it takes.

Finally, use your glue gun to secure the hat onto the wreath. I glued both the sides. I took my leftover tulle strips, balled them up and stuffed them into the hat for a little extra volume. Then I glued the front of the hat and the back to the wreath to hold it all in.



To hang the wreath, the best thing to do is to simply stitch a piece of scrap ribbon to the back of the hat. You could try to hot glue this, but I think a needle and thread will make it a lot sturdier, especially if you're hanging it on a door that opens and shuts often.

That guy was so super simple, right? Want to make him even simpler? Don't add a mustache. Still adorable. Maybe even more adorable.





# Reindeer Candy Pot

Presented by: Caiden Eason



- Small Flower Pot
- Brown Paint
- Paint Brush
- Wiggly Eyes
- Red Pompom
- Brown Pipe Cleaners
- Glue Gun
- Scissors

1. Paint the pot brown all over and let dry.
2. Glue wiggly eyes and red pompom nose on front of the pot.
3. Cut pipe cleaners and twist together to make antlers.
4. Glue the antlers to the inside of the pot, above the face.
5. Fill with candy or treats.

Here are some other ideas for Christmas Character Candy Pots!



# Melted Snowman Cookies

By: Harleigh Barrett

## Ingredients

- 1 package of Betty Crocker's Sugar Cookie Mix
- 10-12 large marshmallows
- black decorating gel
- your favorite white cookie icing (or use my recipe below!)
- Wilton decorating tips (I used a #16 star tip from Wilton)
- Cookie Icing in a variety of colors
- Mini M&M candies or Wilton Rainbow Chip Crunch Sprinkles
- your imagination!



## Instructions

Prepare cookie mix according to package directions

Heat oven to 350 degrees or temperature indicated on cookie package mix.

Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside.

Take a small golf ball size piece of dough and flatten to about 1/4"-1/2" depending on how thick you like your cookies. Remember, they are supposed to be melted snowmen so the more irregular the shapes are, the better the final product will be.

Bake according to package directions.

Remove from oven and let cool on a baking rack.

While cookies are cooling, prepare cookie icing (recipe below)

Once cookies are completely cooled, ice the cookies with an offset spatula, letting some of the icing drip over the edge for that melting effect.

To create the heads for the snowmen spray a microwave safe plate with cooking spray and put the marshmallows on it. Cook on high for about 15-20 seconds. Watch the marshmallows carefully. Spray your hand with the cooking spray so marshmallows won't stick to your fingers and carefully move the marshmallows onto the frosted cookies. Do this quickly so they will adhere to the cookie.

To create details on the cookies, I found it easier to do the arms and faces first, then add the rest. Use black piping gel for arms, eyes and mouth.

For scarves and buttons use colored cookie icing or a variety of small colored candies. Whatever you wish!



# Simple and Elegant Christmas Frame Door Hanger

**Cash Anderle**

Supplies Needed:  
Scissors  
Spray Paint  
Picture Frame  
Shatterproof Ornaments  
Ribbon  
Hot glue gun (careful!!)  
Other embellishments (optional)

Steps:

Spray paint your frame

If you can find a colorful frame, then you can skip this step. But I was using stuff I had in my house, and this frame could be fixed with a bit of spray paint. Before I could spray paint the frame I had to take off the glass and backing.

Add ornaments/ embellishments

I added ornaments to my wreath. I used hot glue but you can use thumb tacks (push them into the frame) to hold the ornaments on, so that I can easily change them out.

Add bow

I made a bow with my ribbon, and I glued it on.



## **Lighted Burlap/ Ribbon Garland Bailey Anderle**

### **Supplies Needed:**

scissors,  
mini lights,  
burlap rolls or ribbon  
rolls or both

### Steps:

Cut the burlap or ribbon in 10 inch sections and then cut lengthwise down the middle. Repeat this same cutting process with the various colors of burlap or types of ribbon. To cover the entire string of lights, you will need two rolls of each type ribbon.

Simply tie the strips of burlap and ribbon around the mini lights. I only tie once. If you choose to double knot, you will need more ribbon as this will change the length requirements. I think it looks too bulky double-knotted, but that is just my style.

# Snowman Made From Logs

By: Wylie Barrett

## Suggested materials:

- Trees
- Paint
- Fabric
- Glue

## Directions:

Cut down trees and limbs ranging from 1" to 4".

Cut the limbs in to slices - anywhere from 1" thick to 3" thick.

Saw off a end on each side of the slice to make it stand up and to glue and balance the next size slice on top of each other.

Glued the slices together with Gorilla glue, painted eyes, nose, mouth and buttons, added a fabric scrap for scarf - done!



## MELTED CRAYON ORNAMENT

by Mariana Santellano

### MATERIALS NEEDED:

Glass ornament

Crayons

Ribbon

Oven mitten

blow dryer

### DIRECTIONS

1. First break all your desire crayons into small pieces insert them inside the glass ornament.
2. Wearing oven mitten hold the ornament with that hand and using blow dryer on high heat began melting the crayon inside the ornament rotating it carefully.
3. Add more crayon if desire and repeat step 2
4. When finish replace ornament cap and tie a ribbon to hang on the Christmas tree.



# Button Ornament

*Idea courtesy of Pinterest recreated by Robert Miller*



\*Disclaimer - this project is VERY simple, but it does take some time. Be patient and you will have a fabulous finished product to admire.

1. Purchase three packages of **pearl push pins**.
2. Purchase **buttons** in a variety of colors and sizes at the craft store. You can do any color combination to go with your tree.
3. Purchase a **styrofoam ball** in a size you prefer for your tree.
4. **Paint** the ball before starting to avoid white showing through.
5. Pin two buttons for every pin. A bigger one on the bottom with a smaller different colored button on top. Continue until the ball is completely covered.
6. Try to keep the buttons as close together as possible and sometimes overlap a few to cover up as much of the white ball as possible. Also use tiny buttons to fill in any holes between buttons.
7. Attach a polka dot ribbon and tie a bow for hanging. Use superglue or hot glue under the ribbon to make sure it stays in place.

## Christmas Frames:

By: Olivia Stifflemire

- 1 8x10 frame, color of your choice
- 3 or 4 Christmas ornaments
- Satin ribbon, your choice of color
- Bow or ribbon to make a bow
- Greenery if wanted
- Hot glue gun



### Directions:

Remove the glass from the picture frame. Loop satin ribbon through ornament and hot glue to the back of the picture frame.

Hot glue bow and greenery to the front of the picture frame.



# PEPPERMINT STRIPED CANDLESTICKS

By: Grant Widner

## SUPPLIES:

- 4x4 post, cut into 3 pieces, 10 inches, 8 inches & 6 inches (or other desired sizes)
- Frog Tape
- Spray Paint
- Sander
- Drill
- 1 1/2 inch spade bit
- OR 1 1/2 inch. Forstner bit
- Twine/Jute
- battery operated tea lights.

## DIRECTIONS:

Cut a 4x4 board into 3 pieces (10, 8, and 6 inches)

I like having the colors layered, so I painted the white post red first, then white, so when I sanded and distressed it, it would be white with red peeking through. I did the opposite for the red post. I also painted the entire striped post red first, then added the tape for the stripes and painted white on top. After the paint was dry, I used a sander to distress each piece.

I used a 1 1/2 inch spade bit (you can get them for as low as \$6 as Home Depot) on my drill to create the opening for the tea lights. You can tie on twine to add decoration.



# Scrap Wood Stocking Hanger

Idea courtesy of Pinterest recreated  
by Abby Miller



1. Cut some **scrap wood** to various lengths (8-12 inches work well). Cut as many pieces as you need for hooks, i.e. if you want 5 **hooks** cut 5 pieces of wood. You can put skinnier pieces of wood in between to space the hooks out more.
2. Attach the boards to each other with a piece of wood screwed into the back and add **heavy duty D rings** for hanging.
3. **Paint** the boards in green and red. **Stencil MERRY** and hand write *Christmas*.
4. Screw hooks to the bottom of each board and you have a fun coat or stocking hook perfect for any stocking.