

Valentines Week









Decorated Valentine's Candy Jar

Transform a plain mason jar into a spectacular candy jar that is guaranteed to spark joy.



To make:

Step 1. Write loving words and draw decorations on a mason jar with acrylic markers.

Step 2. To make the collar: cut a long, 1-inch-wide strip of seasonally appropriate fabric.

Step 3. Using a needle and thread, sew a long, loose running stitch along one edge of the fabric, leaving lengths of thread at either end. Pull thread and fabric to create a ruffle.

Step 4. Use extra thread to tie the ruffle around the top of the jar.





Paper Flowers Craft

Supplies:

Assorted Colours and Patterns of Card Glue Stick Hot Glue Gun Bamboo Skewers Green Paint & Paint Brush



Step by Step Instructions:

- **Step 1 -** You will need approximately 12-20 hearts per flower depending on how full you want the flower to be. I used 16 hearts for my large flowers and 12 for the small flower.
- Step 2 Fold each heart shape in half.
- **Step 3** Layer the hearts, alternating colours if desired, and glue the back sides of the hearts together using an extra-strength glue sick.
- Step 4 Keep layering...and layering...
- **Step 5** Continue layering and gluing the hearts together until you reach your desired thickness
- **Step 6** Paint one of the bamboo skewers green (to act as the flower stem), and preheat the hot glue gun.
- **Step 7** Open the flower into a full circle (do not glue the last petals together yet!). Add a line of hot glue to the top portion of the skewer and place the skewer into the centre opening of the flower. Now, glue the last two heart petals together to finish the flower.

Ta da! Easy peasy!

Use the hot glue gun to add paper leaves and any additional embellishments. I thought those little bows looked extra sweet!

Add a Styrofoam ball or floral foam to the bottom of a decorative flower pot and top with shredded paper to finish the look.











For this craft you will need:

-String

-Beads

-Card

-Hole Punch

For this Valentines why not make those who you love a necklace! For this you can add as many brightly coloured beads to your sting with the centre piece being a love heart which you can make out of coloured car with hole punches to add in the middle to thread through.









Heart Flowers



For this craft you will need:

- -Lollipop Sticks
- -Coloured card
- -Glue

For this activity you will need to cut out a heart shape and glue it onto a lollipop stick.

Then decorate with some coloured pens or glitter to add little bit of sparkle!

To finish off give to everyone you care about!

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Valentine's Day Bird Feeders

Mix up some bird seed mix, then use a heart-shaped cookie cutter to create a cute bird feeder for your garden.

Here's the recipe:

3/4 a cup of flour

1/2 a cup of water

1 envelope unflavoured gelatine (2.5 teaspoons)

3 tbsp corn syrup

4 cups birdseed



Step by Step Instructions:

Step 1 - Grease a spoon with oil, butter or margarine and then mix all the ingredients together in a large bowl. Yummy.

Step 2 - Next, Grease the inside of your cookie cutter and place it on a parchment lined baking sheet. Fill it with the birdseed mixture. Be sure to really pack it down.

Step 3 - Once you have your cookie cutter full, use something (we used a chop stick) to make a hole. Then, holding down the birdseed, pull off the cookie cutter. I had to re-grease the cookie cutter after every four and with a 2 1/2-inch cookie cutter, I made 12 feeders. These can be fragile.

Step 4 - Let them firm up overnight, and then they are ready to hang or give away.

These Valentine's Day Bird Feeders are a simple craft and make for a cute little gift!

