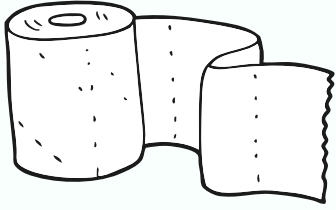


TP TUBES & TIN CAN CRAFTS



Did your family stock up on canned goods and raid the store of toilet paper before being stuck at home for weeks? Here's what to do your toilet paper tubes and empty tin cans after you've eaten your beans and gone through a couple rolls.

TIN CAN CRAFTS

TIN CAN LANTERNS

STEP 1: Clean the inside and outside of a can, making sure you fully remove any labels. Use acrylic paint to paint the can, if you wish!

STEP 2: With a permanent marker, draw a design on the outside of your can.

STEP 3: Using a hammer and nail or a drill, poke small holes to trace your marker design.

STEP 4: Place a candle inside your lantern, turn off the lights, and enjoy!



TIN CAN ROBOTS



STEP 1: Dig deep in your junk drawers and find random supplies you can use to create robot features.

STEP 2: Clean the inside and outside of a can, making sure you fully remove any labels.

STEP 3: Using glue, attach the materials you gathered to your can. Make sure your robot has arms, legs, ears, nose, eyes, and a mouth.

STEP 4: Give your robot a name!

PAINTED PENCIL HOLDERS

STEP 1: Clean the inside and outside of a can, making sure you fully remove the label.

STEP 2: Lay down some newspaper or tablecloth to keep your painting area clean.

STEP 3: Use your favorite colors to paint a fun design on your can. Acrylic paint works best, and you'll probably have to apply multiple coats for full coverage.

STEP 4: Wait for your paint to dry and then fill it with your pens and pencils! If you have a clear acrylic, consider applying that to your can after the paint dries to help protect your design from wear and tear.



CHARCOAL STOVE

STEP 1: Clean the inside and outside of a can, making sure you fully remove the label.

STEP 2: Use tin snips to cut 2 inch strips down the sides of the can.

STEP 3: Line the tin can with heavy duty aluminum foil before adding in a handful of charcoal.

STEP 4: Add a rack and you're ready to grill!



CRITTER LAWN ORNAMENTS



STEP 1: Clean the inside and outside of a can, making sure you fully remove the label.

STEP 2: Use a nail and hammer to put a hole in one side of the can. This is where your stick will go.

STEP 3: Use acrylic paint to decorate your can in the color and pattern of your favorite insect. Add wings by gluing wire or pipe cleaners to the top of your can. You can also glue on googly eyes and use permanent markers to add details to your bugs.

STEP 4: Wedge a stick through the the hole you made and find a good location to place it the ground outdoors!

TIN CAN WINDCHIMES

STEP 1: Start with clean lids from several cans (should have at least 9). Using acrylic paint or permanent marker, create colorful designs on your can lids.

STEP 2: Using a hammer and nail or a drill, make holes where you will string pieces together.

STEP 3: Using string or fishing line, tie together your lids and some colorful beads in a vertical formation.

STEP 4: Tie one end of each string to a stick. Using string, create a way to hang your chimes and place them outside.



TIN CAN PLANTER



STEP 1: Clean the inside and outside of a can.

STEP 2: Using acrylic paint, paint the outside of your can in whatever color you choose.

STEP 3: Using paint or permanent markers, write something, create a design, pattern, or image on the outside of your can. Consider coating your can in a clear acrylic or polyurethane when done to protect your planter.

STEP 4: Next time you go grocery shopping, find a plant at the grocery store to place inside your can. Or, get some seeds and soil and plant them in your planter!

TP TUBE CRAFTS

TP TUBE UNICORN

STEP 1: Paint your toilet paper roll or wrap it in paper.

STEP 2: Time to make the mane and the tail. Put 2-3 fingers together (2 for mane, 3 for tail), and wrap yarn around them over and over until you have a thick "circle" of yarn. Pull the yarn off your fingers, gently (you should see a "ring" or a "circle". Tie the yarn up, still keeping the circle shape (think of ring on a necklace). Cut the circle of yarn, close to the knot you tied. Trim the shape if necessary. Repeat for the tail (using 3-4 fingers). Glue the yarn mane inside the top of the toilet paper tube, leaving some of it hang out and over the toilet paper roll. Glue the larger tail yard on the middle of the toilet paper tube in the back.

STEP 3: Cut a horn shape from foam or cardstock and stick it on the mane. Cut ears from cardstock, stick them on the mane or paper roll.

STEP 4: Use a marker and/or paint to add any facial features.



TP TUBE FISH KITES



STEP 1: Cut half-circles out of tissue paper and glue them onto your toilet paper tube so that they overlap like fish scales.

STEP 2: Using googly eyes or construction paper, create 2 eyes for your fish, and glue one eye on either side of your fish.

STEP 3: Cut narrow tissue paper strips in the same color as your scales. Use tape to secure them to the inside of your toilet paper tube.

STEP 4: Cut a piece of twine about 7 inches long. Tie one end to a wooden stick and tape the other end to the inside of your toilet paper tube, on the end with the eyes. Repeat these steps 2 more times to create your 3 fish kites!

TP TUBE FLOWER

STEP 1: Paint the outside of your toilet paper rolls in whatever color you desire. You'll need at least 6 rolls for this project. The more the better!

STEP 2: Cut each roll into 4 smaller cylinders. You can paint the inside of these using the same color as in step 1 or a different color!

STEP 3: After your pieces have dried, grab each piece and gently smoosh your TP tube so that it becomes more elongated, like in the picture.

STEP 4: Using hot glue, glue your pieces together one by one so that they begin to form a flower pattern.



TP TUBE OCTOPUS

STEP 1: Paint the outside and inside of your toilet paper roll in a nice octopus color.

STEP 2: Create eyes out of googly eyes or construction paper and glue them onto the outside of your toilet paper tube.

STEP 3: Using a permanent marker, give your octopus an expression by drawing on a mouth.

STEP 4: Using scissors, create 8 tentacles by making 7 cuts equal distance apart up the bottom half of your TP tube.



BIRD FEEDER MOBILE



STEP 1: Cut your TP tubes in half and hole punch each in the bottom and top.

STEP 2: Pour corn syrup, birdseed, and Cheerios into three separate containers. Using a paintbrush, paint the corn syrup onto the outside of your TP tubes. The more the better!

STEP 3: Roll the outside of your sticky TP tubes in the bird seed, making sure to thoroughly coat them. Lay on wax paper to dry.

STEP 4: Cut a length of string and thread a Cheerio on it. Pull string through the bottom hole of one birdseed covered tube. Thread on 5-10 Cheerios then thread the string through the upper hole. You can add more tubes onto this string or move on to another string. Tie your tubes to a branch and hang the branch outside for birds to enjoy!

TP TUBE CITY

STEP 1: Paint the outside of several TP tubes or paper towel rolls different colors.

STEP 2: Cut out an opening for a doorway at the bottom of each tube.

STEP 3: Using construction paper and scissors, create windows, roofs, and doors for your buildings. Use markers to draw designs on your paper! Tape or glue these features onto your paper rolls.

STEP 4: Arrange your buildings in a city and find them some inhabitants!



RESOURCES & LINKS

Check out these websites for more detailed instructions on the projects listed.

TIN CAN LANTERNS

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