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Hi Holiday Crafters,

Make your own luck with these St. Patrick's Day Crafts!

St. Patrick's Day is a fun holiday that doesn't cause a lot of stress for those who celebrate. Simply decorate your home with some festive green and gold, make some Irish food, and you'll have a wonderful St. Paddy's Day. The crafts in this awesome eBook are sure to give you some luck of the Irish. With everything from shamrock wreaths to a sign made out of pennies to gold rocks, this collection of holiday crafts is sure to help you make a magical day for everyone. These decorations are sure to help your family believe in leprechauns and pots of gold at the end of rainbows. Make this St. Paddy's Day the best one yet with these wonderful projects. Get started today!

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Lucky Penny Letters

By: MadeByMarzipan

Turn that loose change into a cute and clever addition to your holiday home decor with this Lucky Penny Letters tutorial! With a bit of Mod Podge and some creativity, you can easily create a St. Patrick's Day decoration that looks like a million bucks.



- Papier mache or wooden letters
- Copper acrylic paint and foam brush
- Hot glue gun and glue sticks
- Pennies (about \$3 worth)
- Mod Podge (optional)



1) Begin by painting your purchased letters copper with copper, acrylic paint.

Note: If your letters are papier mache or unfinished wood, one coat should do fine.

- 3) Once your letters are dry, begin to add your pennies using a hot glue gun.
- 4) While gluing, try to space them so you don't have any large gaps. Alternating pennies with different layers will give the piece added dimension.

Option: Add a layer of glossy Mod Podge if you want them to shine.

6) Prop your lucky penny letters on your mantle for an eye-catching display.



Lucky Me Photo Wreath

By: MadeByMarzipan

Display pictures of your favorite people and things with this Lucky Me Photo Wreath that's perfect for St. Patrick's Day. This is also one of those wreath craft ideas that you can easily adapt for any other holiday; just change the color scheme and voila!



Materials:

- Wreath form or pipe insulation tube
- Green fabric
- Green tulle
- Hot glue gun
- Clothespins
- Duct Tape
- Scrapbook paper
- Double-sided adhesive
- Paint and paint brush
- Photos
- Glitter Paper

Instructions:



- 1) If you are constructing your wreath form from pipe insulation tube, cut the tube about 4 times the length you want the width of your wreath to be, the shown wreath is 45".
- 2) Wrap the two ends together to meet and Duct tape in place.

Note: If you purchased your wreath form skip ahead to step 3.

- 3) Cut strips of green fabric about 4" wide and wrap them around your wreath form, securing with hot glue.
- 4) Once your wreath is covered, add some green tulle using the same technique to give your wreath some fullness.
- 5) Measure your clothespins and then cut strips of patterned scrap paper to the same dimensions. Cut one strip for the front of each pin.
- 6) You can leave your pins bare, or you can paint them. If you paint them, allow to dry completely before proceeding.
- 7) Add the paper strips to the top of the clothespins using double-sided adhesive. Then, glue the clothespins to the wreath form.
- 8) Print out the phrase "Lucky Me" and adhere it to the back of your glitter paper, face down.

Note: You could also choose to print the phrase using "mirror image," if you have trouble seeing through the paper.

- 9 Hot glue the phrase along the bottom of your wreath at an angle.
- 10) Print out your pictures and add one to each clothespin on your wreath.
- 11) To hang your wreath, tie a segment of tulle onto the wreath and tie a bow to that loop with another piece of tulle.



St. Paddy's Welcome Shamrock

By: Amanda Formaro from Crafts By Amanda

Welcome your guests with a bit of Irish luck this March, and hang a St. Paddy's Welcome Shamrock on your front door. This festive and decorative craft is an easy way to add a bit of holiday spirit to your home this season. Use 3 papier mache hearts to form your green shamrock. When it is complete, add a boarder of buttons. It's a cute and simple piece of holiday decor you'll feel lucky to have.



- 4 papier mache hearts
- Assortment of colorful buttons
- Acrylic paint in green, black and white
- Scissors
- Hot glue gun
- Old toothbrush
- Acrylic sealer spray, matte finish



- 1) On work surface, position the four papier mache hearts into a clover design. Hot glue them together. Use scissors to trim off the hangers from the hearts, leaving one on to hang the clover by.
- 2) Paint clover completely with green acrylic paint. Repeat if needed.
- 3) Dip the bristle tips of a toothbrush into some black paint that has been lightly thinned with a drop or two of water. Test your splattering ability on a piece of scrap paper before doing this on your clover. Hold toothbrush horizontally and drag your finger across the bristles, causing the paint to splatter spots wherever you aim it.
- 4) When you are comfortable with this method, go ahead and splatter the entire surface of the clover with black paint.
- 5) Clean out toothbrush and repeat this method with white paint. Spray entire surface with acrylic sealer spray and let dry.
- 6) When dry, use hot glue to add buttons around the outer edge of the clover. Alternate the colors so that there are not too many of one color together. If you prefer, you can use gold and/or silver buttons in place of colorful buttons.
- 6) Find one button to go in the center of the clover, preferably larger than the other buttons that you used around the edge. Hot glue to the center.



Tissue Paper Clover

By: Amanda Formaro from Crafts by Amanda

St. Patrick's Day is coming up soon, if you are looking for a festive craft for the kiddies, try the Tissue Paper Shamrock. Using green tissue paper, cut out squares and twist them into a circle. Glue each piece of tissue paper onto your shamrock, and wait for it to dry. It is a fun, easy and kid-friendly project, which will kill some time and keep the little ones occupied.



- Green construction paper, card stock or poster board
- School glue or white craft glue
- Green tissue paper or party streamers
- Scissors



- 1) Draw a shamrock shape (draw three hearts with a stem) onto a sheet of green construction paper.Cut out.
- 2) Rip or cut up the green tissue paper into small bits, about 1"square.
- 3) For younger children, have them crumple up the bits of tissue paper. Put a little glue into a glue pot or margarine lid for each child. Have each child dip one of the crumpled bits of tissue paper into the glue, and place on the cut out shamrock shape.

Note: Alternatively, you can put a layer of glue directly on the shamrock shape, one shamrock leaf at a time. This method creates less mess than dipping individual pieces into the glue.

- 4) For older kids, using a pencil with a new eraser, place the eraser in the center of the tissue paper square. Twist the tissue paper around the eraser and then press the eraser onto the construction paper. Lift the pencil out of the tissue paper, leaving it on the shamrock.
- 5) Continue until the shamrock shape is full of tissue. Glue a piece of yarn, string or ribbon to the back to hang your shamrock.



Shamrock Tree Decoration

By: Amanda Formaro from Crafts by Amanda

For a fun activity to spice up St. Patrick's Day, try your hand at this Shamrock Tree Decoration. This St. Paddy's Day craft allows you to take any image, from clip art to your imagination, and translate it onto canvas. This tutorial will show you how to paint a beautiful Shamrock Tree with just paints and a stencil, even if you're a novice artist. You can enjoy your Shamrock Tree Decoration either at home for the day, or use it for a St. Paddy's Day party. Best of luck!



Materials:

- Americana paints
- 18x18 stretched canvas
- Sketching materials

Instructions:

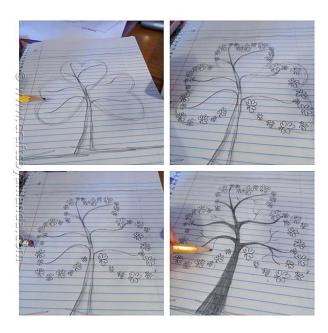
1) Do an image search on Google for shamrocks. Once you find one you like, draw it out on paper.



2) Next, add some branches that reach out toward the borders of the shamrock shape, then draw some



shamrocks around the border of the design. Erase the border lines and add in some small inner branches and small shamrock leaves.



- 3) First, use a pencil to sketch on the tree trunk and main branches. After filling in the main branchesadd the small inner branches.
- 4) To add the shamrocks, just paint three hearts intersecting at their points on each branch.



4) Startwith green and then switch to a lighter green and added in orange and yellow as well. Varying the sizes of the shamrocks adds dimension to your painting.



5) Once you have added all of your desired shamrocks, allow to dry and hang your painting!





Pool Noodle Shamrock Wreath

By: Bugaboo, Mini Mr. and Me

Yes, you read that right. This Pool Noodle Shamrock Wreath is a St. Patrick's Day decoration made out of those foam noodles you use in the pool! You may be wondering how to make a wreath like this. Well, you're in luck (pun intended, of course), because we've got the instructions on how to make a decorative wreath that's truly unusual right here!



- A swim noodle
- Green yarn
- Hot Glue
- Scissors



1) Take your noodle and pull the sections apart. You can use your scissors to help.



2) Take the sections and cut them down.



3) You will only need four of the sections. Save some of the little sections for later. Take a section, curve it around:





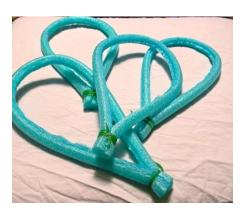
4) Spread some hot glue where the ends connect. The hot glue will begin to melt the noodle - just a caution here:



5) Wrap some yarn around the hot glued area. Secure it by tying knots. You can use hot glue to secure it as well.



6) Do this to all four sections.

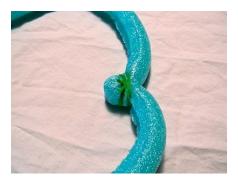




5) Now, take the top of the curve and squeeze it in and down, making a heart-ish shape.



6) Dab hot glue, and wrap yarn around and tie it.



- 7) Do this with all four clover leaves.
- 8) Starting at the bottom of one side, wrap your green yarn around the noodle.



9) Wrap up and around the curve, the point, the other curve and down the other side.



10) You will need to use hot glue to secure the yarn around the top point and the bottom of the leaf.



11) Wrap all four leaves.



12) Put about three small sections of noodle together and wrap them up with yarn.





13) Hot glue some yarn around in a circle on the end of the stem to cover up the noodle.



14) Now you can assemble the clover. Place the leaves and stem together in a clover shape. When you place the stem, make sure the end of the noodle that is covered with yarn is facing down away from the leaves.



15) Spread hot glue all over where the leaves connect in the middle. Tie an end of yarn around the stem. Now, just wrap all the leaves together. When it looks good, tie the yarn off in the back and hot glue for security if necessary.





Cardboard Tube Shamrock Creatures

By: Sweet and Lovely Crafts

Aren't these Cardboard Tube Shamrock Creatures adorable? Not only are these one of the best St. Patrick's Day activities for kids that we've found, they're also a really clever way to make crafts from recycled materials. So gather some finished toilet paper rolls and start your crafting!



- Markers/crayons
- Googly eyes
- Decorative tape or strips of colored paper
- Scissors
- Paint and paint brush
- Glue
- Paper trimmer
- Shamrock template



- 1) Cover the toilet paper roll with white paper.
- 2) Decorate with green masking tape (you can buy green electrical tape at the dollar store).
- 3) Using green foam (or construction paper) cut out a shamrock.
- 4) Glue eyes onto the shamrock.
- 5) Tape the shamrock onto the toilet paper roll.
- 6) Cut a strip on construction paper and fold it like an accordion, glue it to the side of the roll.



Rustic Shamrock Wreath

By: Consie from Atop Serenity Hill

The subtle style of this gorgeous, Rustic Shamrock Wreath will add just the right amount of festivity to your front door this holiday season. If you're looking for a way to show off your Irish pride without being too over-the-top, this is the ideal idea for you start with. St. Patrick's Day crafts like this don't come around too often, which is why we recommend that you take advantage of this free, DIY wreath tutorial and get started today.



- Grapevine wreath
- Primed canvas
- Acrylic paint/brushes
- Burlap
- Gold cord
- Hot glue gun
- Scissors
- Light colored pencil



1) Paint the primed canvas with a bunch of different green acrylic paints, using beige for highlights.



2) While you wait for the paint to dry, cut burlap into 1"x6" strips and tie them onto the grapevine wreath.

Note: Make sure you add some to the sides as well as the top.



3) While the paint dries, create paper templates for your shamrocks. Once the paint is dry, use your templates to draw the shamrocks onto the canvas. Trace the shapes with a light colored pencil so that you can see the lines and then cut out all of your shamrocks.



4) Use your hot glue gun to attach the different sizes of canvas to the wreath, tucking the shamrocks in amongst the burlap ties.





5) Cut a few 5" pieces of cord, bend them into loops and then glue them into the wreath.



6) Add gold acrylic highlights to your shamrocks to finish off the wreath.

Note: If you use a small amount of glue to connect the shamrocks, you could pop them off after the holiday and replace them with Easter eggs.





Mini Luck Candle Holders

By: Mindie from Bacon Time with the Hungry Hippo

This adorable St. Patrick's Day craft is the simplest way to make a nice and quick handmade decoration for the holiday. Fill each bucket with green marbles or stones and add a green candle on top of them. You can light these candles for your company this March. Show off your Irish spirit and display this easy craft for St. Patrick's Day in your home this holiday season.



- Mini metal buckets
- Green glass rocks
- Green foam stickers
- Green tea lights



1) Simply add your stickers to the buckets, and fill with your green glass rocks.



2) Then set your tea lights on top. And you're done!





Shamrock Jewelry for Kids

By: <u>Home Confetti</u>

If you're going to a St. Patrick's Day parade, this is one of those St. Patrick's Day activities that will get even the littlest leprechauns in the mood to celebrate! Follow this easy tutorial to learn how to make fun Shamrock Jewelry for Kids. Made from materials like plastic straws and yarn, this is a perfect St. Patrick's Day craft for kids to make themselves!



- Multi-pack of foam shamrocks
- Plastic straws
- Gems and glue dots (optional)
- Yarn
- Hole puncher
- Scissors
- Scotch tape
- "Make Your Own Luck" Printable (optional)



- 1) Estimate how much yarn you need by loosely wrapping it around the child's wrist or neckline. Cut the yarn. To avoid the ends from unraveling, wrap each end with a small piece of clear scotch tape.
- 2) Cut the straws in 2" pieces. I used 2 straws for 1 necklace.
- 3) Using the hole punch, punch two holes in each shamrock. (If you only use one hole, the shamrock will flop around.) Then, decide on a pattern, and thread the yarn through the straw pieces and shamrocks. Tie the ends when finished.
- 4) Add a little bling using glue dots to affix the gems. Below you'll see the necklace with gems and without. Boys may want their necklaces without.



Your Lucky Block

By: Kierste Wade from Simply Kierste

Looking for some luck this St. Patrick's Day? With Your Lucky Block, who knows what the holiday will have in store for you! This St. Patrick's Day craft will add a little bit of that old Irish charm to any room, and hopefully some luck will rub off on you! This simple St. Patrick's Day craft is a fun and festive way to get ready for the luckiest holiday of all.



- 2x8 wood block (mine was 12 inches wide)
- Spray paint
- Double-sided adhesive
- Green glitter
- Twine



- 1) Spray paint your wood block White in Satin, by Rustoleum and let dry completely. Sand the edges and front to distress, then wipe away excess dust.
- 2) Create your design in Silhouette. When you're ready to cut, select double-sided adhesive, and change your blade accordingly.

Note: The only thing you should change is to notdouble cut. If you use double cut, it will cut right through. Try a test cut first, then make any changes as necessary.



3) When your design has been cut, you're ready to apply the adhesive and glitter to your wood block.

Note: Be careful when you're removing each layer (the yellow, then later the white), so you don't remove the adhesive at the same time.

4) I followed that same tutorial when it came to tips on adding the glitter. The only thing I noticed with the wood is that it was harder to remove the glitter from the outlying areas, because of the grain of the wood and natural small cracks. I tried the brush first, and it removed some, but I ended up using a damp rag to carefully go around the lettering and shamrock to remove all of the excess.



Magical Gold Rocks

By: Julee from Warm Hot Chocolate

With this Magical Gold Rocks tutorial, adding a bit of magic to your children's lives has never been easier. Find a handful or two of rocks and transform them into Leprechaun gold with just a bit of paint. Use these gold nuggets to give your children a magical surprise on St. Paddy's Day. This St. Patrick's Day craft can also be used to decorate your home with a bit of the luck of the Irish.



- Glass candle holder or similar glass container
- Small stones
- Gold paint
- Paintbrush



- 1) Gather some small stones from your garden or pick a few up at the store.
- 2) Using your gold paint, add a layer to each stone.



3) Allow to dry completely.



4) Place your stones in your glass container to surprise your children with on St. Patrick's Day.

Note: You could hide them around the house to create a fun St. Patrick's Day scavenger hunt!



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