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Easter Crafts



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Letter from the Editor

Hello Holiday Crafters,

For the first time in what seems like weeks, we've been seeing the sun here in Chicago. That can only mean one thing: spring is on its way! I absolutely love the spring season because it's when everything comes alive again, including my creativity!

Easter has always been one of my favorite holidays to craft for because there's just so much you can make! I've tried so many different egg dyeing techniques over the years, but I can never seem to get enough of it! Plus the ideas for Easter decorations you can make are always super cute; you can't go wrong with bunnies and chicks!

With the beauty and bounty of spring as my inspiration, I gathered some of the cutest Easter crafts I could find from around the Web. I've included a couple of festive wreaths, some lovely baskets and some other egg-ceptional creations (you had to expect there would be at least *one* pun in an Easter eBook, right?!).

I hope you enjoy all of the ideas in this collection as much as I do. They've really inspired me to try some new projects this season and I can't wait to get started!

Happy Crafting,

Rachel, Editor for AllFreeHolidayCrafts

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Little Spring Chicks

By: Heather for Small Fry & Co.

These Spring Chicks are an easy way to add a touch of cuteness to your Easter table. You can make them using scraps from your stash and sew them either by machine or by hand. Choose your favorite spring fabrics and put your own personal touch on these adorable Easter chicks!



Materials:

- [Pattern](#)
- Sewing machine or needle and thread
- Fabric scraps large enough to fit the dimensions of the pattern
- Beans, rice or popcorn to weigh the chicks down
- Scraps of yellow yarn for the chick's hair
- Hot glue gun and glue sticks
- Scissors
- Black marker
- Pink chalk

Instructions:

1) Cut out pattern pieces and the appropriate number of pieces of fabric according to the pattern.



2) Sew together the body pieces-right sides together-leaving a small opening for turning. Backstitch both sides of your opening. Repeat for the head. Turn right sides out.



3) Pour beans, rice or popcorn into the bottom of the body to weigh it down. This is optional; it helps the chicks to stand on their own.



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4) Fill the remainder of the body and the head with stuffing. Do not over stuff.



5) Sew openings closed. You do not have to tuck in the opening edges because they will be hidden when you assembled the chick.



6) To make some hair gather a small bunch of yarn like so:



7) Glue the yarn to the back of the chick's head with hot glue.



lengths.

9) To make the beak, take the beak piece you cut out and put a small dab of hot glue in the middle and fold it in half. This will make the beak so that it stays partly closed on the chick and doesn't just flap open. Hot glue the beak to the head piece. Add eyes and cheeks. You can draw the eyes with a marker and the cheeks



10) Finally take the scarf/blanket piece and tie it around your chick with a knot. If you tie it a bit to the side, it will cover up the seam on the (optional).



Handy Fabric Easter Basket

By: Ayumi for Pink Penguin

The design and colors of this fabric basket make it great not just for Easter but for any time of year! If you're looking for a multi-purpose, reusable Easter basket, this one is great! This sweet and simple tote also makes a great gift!



Materials:

- Fabric:
 - Natural Linen: 1/4 yard for basket exterior and handles
 - Pink Polka Dots Print: 1/8 yard for basket exterior
 - Pink Geometric Print: 1/8 yard for basket exterior
 - Flower Print: 1/8 yard for basket exterior
 - Green Rabbit Print: 1/2 yard for lining
- 1/2 yard fleece batting

Instructions:

1) Cut out 2" squares from 3 different kinds of fabrics: 8 squares from each.



2) Sew together two squares, making sure each set consists of two different fabrics. You can make equal amounts for each set (4 of each).



3) Press seams in one direction in the way that it isn't on top of each other.



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4) Sew together pieces to create two 6"x2" patchwork layers.



5) When 2 panels are completed, press seam open.



6) It should look like this when you flip them over:



7) Sew the patchwork layers to a 6"x9 1/2" piece of linen fabric.



8) Place fleece batting underneath the patchwork. Make it a little bigger than the top layer.



9) Pin the layers and sew along the line that separates the patchwork part and the linen part. Repeat this for the other side as well.



10) Sew very close to the top edges.



11) Cut off the excess batting.



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12) Fold it in half right sides together and sew the two edges like this:



13) Box corners. Sew the line: along the seam from the pointy end to the needle it is 1 3/4". Repeat this for the other corner too.



14) Trim excess.



15) To make the handles, cut out two 2" x 1 1/2" pieces of fabrics, one linen and the other the pink polka dot print.



16) With right sides together, sew fabric pieces together along one of the long edges and press seam open.



17) Fold each long side to the middle just like when you make a bias tape.



18) Fold in half and top stitch the long edges like this:



19) Cut in half. Now you have two handles.



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20) Sew the handles to the main basket.



24) Turn the basket right side out through the lining opening and pin in place.



21) To make the basket lining: Fold in half a 12" x 9 1/4" piece of fabric right sides together and sew the two short edges, leaving a lining opening (about 2").



25) Top-stitch the top edge. Hand-stitch the opening closed.



22) Do the same as you did for the main basket.



26) Your fabric basket is now complete!



23) Sew outer basket and lining together.



Dangling Eggs Wreath

By: Christie for A Lemon Squeezzy Home

Make a darling decoration to hang on your front door this spring with this easy wreath tutorial. The colorful hanging eggs are such a cute touch! This is one of those holiday decorations you'll use year after year; it's so perfectly timeless!



Materials:

- Some cute cotton fabric
- 4" x 60" knit
- Elastic thread
- Normal thread
- Glue gun
- 13" wreath
- 3 plastic Easter eggs
- Ribbon and ric-rac
- Spray paint
- Mod Podge
- Foam brushes



Instructions:

1) Cut your knit into two 2" x 60" strips.



2) Using [this method](#), ruffle the knit.



3) Start wrapping the knit around your already spray-painted wreath. If you don't want the color to show through, just make sure to have a little extra knit (otherwise the two strips you cut might not be enough).



4) Glue the ruffled knit on.



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5) It will look like this:



6) Take your cotton fabric and decide how long you want it for hanging up. Do that length x 4". Sew the right sides together on the edge, turn the tube so it's the right way now, and top stitch along both sides.



7) Take a 4" x 5.5" piece of cotton. Measure in from each long side 1.75" and mark. You will only have 1/2" in the middle. Cut about 1/4" slits up to the lines you marked.



8) Take the Mod Podge and brush some of it around the center of the plastic egg. Let dry. (Note: This is an important step that will help greatly in the end result.)



9) Paint your egg with glue on top, then one strip at a time, start gluing. You can add a bit of glue at the top of the strips so they stick together. When you glue a strip on, pull it straight up and glue so that it doesn't bunch at the slits you cut. Repeat with other end.



10) It will look like this when you are done.



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13) Glue some cute ric-rac or ribbon around the egg. This will help hide the middle crease from the plastic egg and any other imperfections that



14) Take your wreath and cut your ribbon how you'd like the eggs to hang, with an extra inch or so added on. Then glue one end of the ribbon on the egg (this part is on the back of the



15) Hot glue the 3 ribbons with eggs attached to the back of the frame, where you will also hang the wreath).



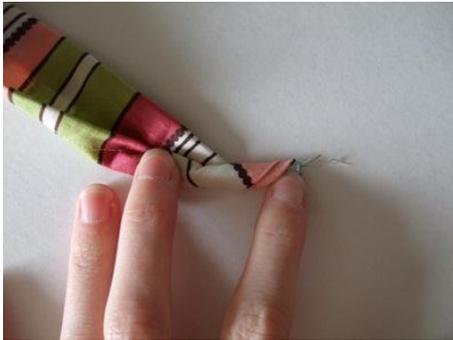
16) To make the flower: Take your excess cotton fabric that you didn't use to hang the wreath and trim it to a 4" by 10-12" strip. The ends are left unfinished. This is what it looks like



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20) Hot glue it to the wreath.



d down.

21) Admire your finished wreath!



19) Now start rolling the roll you just made, hot gluing it while you go. Just go as far as you want



Totally Cute Tissue Paper Eggs

By: Tricia for Sweeter Than Sweets

Turn ordinary plastic eggs into cute and fun Easter decorations in just a few simple steps. These eggs are so colorful and their patterned design is so interesting, you'll never get tired of looking at them!



Materials:

- Plastic eggs
- Mod Podge
- Tissue paper (or gift wrapping paper*)
- Paint brush (1" wide is best)
- Scissors
- X-acto knife

*Note: If using gift wrap paper, cut off a strip a few inches wide and soak it with water.

Crumple it a little bit and carefully lay flat to dry. When it's dry, it will be soft and you can use it the same way as tissue paper.



Instructions:

1) Cut a strip of tissue paper about 1" wide, then cut into 1" squares. It takes no time if you stack several layers at once before you cut. You don't need to measure; just eyeball it.



2) Brush a small amount of Mod Podge onto the back of one of the squares. No need to get all the way to the edges. Lay the square on the egg and smooth the edges down. Continue this process, overlapping the squares until the egg is covered. It will take about 7 to 9 squares to cover one egg.



3) When the entire egg is covered in squares, paint a layer of Mod Podge over all of it. You can rest the eggs on water bottle lids while they dry.



4) For the striped eggs: Cut strips of tissue paper in whatever colors you want. The strips should be about 7" long and can vary in width from 1/4" to 3/4". Apply a thin layer of Mod Podge to the back side of each strip.



9) Admire your finished product:



5) Starting at the bottom point, apply each strip onto the egg, smoothing the edges as you go.



6) It is much easier to apply the strips lengthwise than width-wise, but if you would like a plaid instead of a striped look, simply alternate between lengthwise and widthwise strips.

7) You don't want to Mod Podge over the entire egg with the strips on it, but you may need to use just a little bit over the strip itself to hold it down.

8) When the Mod Podge is completely dry on your eggs, use an X-acto or other razor blade to carefully cut across the egg's equator so you can open them again.

Striped Eggs Crochet Pattern

By: Julie for julie-k

Use your yarn to hook up some adorable and fuzzy Easter decorations with this simple crochet pattern. These little eggs make great holiday decorations for your home and are also cute to hand out as party favors for your Easter brunch guests!



Materials:

- Worsted weight yarn
- Size D/3 (3.25mm) crochet hook
- Polyfil for stuffing
- Tapestry needle for weaving ends

Abbreviations:

ch: chain

hdc: half double crochet

hdcIncrease: half double crochet increase

hdcDecrease: half double crochet decrease

sl st: slip stitch

half double crochet increase: hdc twice in same stitch

half double crochet decrease: yarn over, hook through stitch, yarn over, pull through stitch, yarn over again, hook through next stitch, yarn over, pull through stitch, yarn over one more time, pull through all five loops

Note: I carry the yarn up the inside without breaking it for each stripe. Change colors at the slip stitch: hook through stitch, yarn over with new color, pull new yarn through stitch.

Gauge: Not important, but mine are about 1 1/2 x 2 1/4 inches finished.

P=purple stripe, **Y**=yellow stripe

Instructions:

Make a magic ring.

R1 P: ch 2, hdc into loop 5 times, pull loop closed, join with sl st into second ch – 6 sts

R2 Y: ch 2, hdc in same st, hdcIncrease around, sl st into second ch - 12 sts

R3 P: ch 2, hdc in same st, hdc in next st, *hdcInc, hdc* around, sl st into second ch – 18 sts

R4 Y: ch 2, hdc in same st, hdc in next 2 sts, *hdcInc, hdc, hdc* around, sl st into second ch – 24 sts

R5 P: ch 2, hdc around, sl st into second chain – 24 sts

R6 Y: repeat R5

R7 P: ch 2, hdc, hdcDecrease, *hdc, hdc, hdcDecrease* around, sl st into second ch – 18 sts

R8 Y: ch 2, hdc around, sl st into second chain – 18 sts

R9 P: ch 2, hdcDecrease, *hdc, hdcDecrease* around, sl st into second ch – 12 sts

R10 Y: ch 2, hdc around, sl st into second chain – 12 sts

Stuff with polyfil

R10: hdcDecrease around, close up with tail, tie off both colors, bury ends inside with tapestry needle.

Cute and Cozy Fabric Easter Basket

By: Heather for Small Fry & Co.

Fabric Easter baskets are great because they look so cozy and warm compared to wicker ones. Whether you use this basket for decoration in your home or make it for a child to use on their Easter egg hunt, this soft carrier will be a wonderful addition to your holiday celebrations!



Materials:

- 1 22 x 6 1/2" piece of Pellon Ultra Firm stabilizer for the side of the basket
- 1 22 x 6 1/2 " piece of Pellon fusible fleece for the side
- 2 22 x 7 " pieces of fabric for the outside and the inside of the basket (can be the same or different)
- 4 circle pieces 7 1/4" in diameter. 2 out of the heavy weight stabilizer, and two fabric.
- 4 handle pieces 16 x 2 1/2". Two of these are cut from the fusible fleece and two from the fabric
- Optional: Fabric flowers and bows for embellishment

Instructions:

1) After all your pieces are cut, you want to put the piece of the stabilizer and fleece for the side of the basket together. You can fuse the fleece to the stabilizer if you want and then sew around all the edges with a 1/4" seam.



2) Take the 2 fabric side pieces and put the right sides together. Sew a 1/4" seam along one long edge. Back stitch at the start and stop. Press the seam open. Then turn the fabric right side out wrong sides together now and press the seam flat.



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3) Now take the stabilizer/fleece piece and slip it inside the fabric side piece. Pin the bottom (open) edge and sew a 1/4 inch seam. (This will have an unfinished edge but it will be sewn to another piece later).



4) Next I wanted to sew something through the middle of this piece to give it a quilted look. I marked off angled lines to form triangles. I marked these with pins and then sewed. This means you have to eyeball your seam. If you want, you can lightly draw a line with a fabric pencil.



5) Start sewing at one end, sew down to the pin, pivot (leave needle down in the fabric and lift the presser foot and turn the fabric) and sew up to the next pin. Repeat until you get to the end. Back stitch start and stop.



6) Bring the two ends of the side piece together with whatever side you want as the outside of the finished basket, on the inside. Pin the end and sew a 1/4" seam.



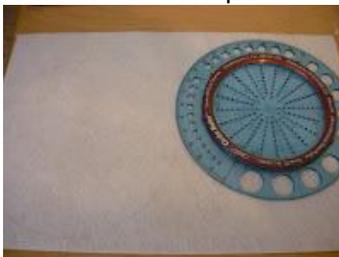
7) Turn the side piece right side out now. I decided that I wanted to put some trim around the top of my basket. I had some bias tape that I decided to pin around the top and stitch down with a zig zag stitch. Because the top edge is finished you don't really have to put any decoration on it if you don't want to.



9) With the wrong side of the basket side piece out, pin the bottom circle to the bottom edge (right sides together). It is important when pinning circles together to know that it is very hard to avoid some bumps and tucks; it's part of the process. Sew around the edge again with a 1/4 inch seam. Remember back stitching.



8) Cut out your bottom circle pieces. You want the bottom circle pieces to be slightly bigger around than the side piece. Put all 4 circle pieces together (fabric, stabilizers, fabric [fabric has the right sides out]). Sew a 1/4" seam around the outside edge of the circle, back stitch start and stop.



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10) Make the handles. Cut out your 4 handle pieces. Fuse the fleece to the wrong side of the fabric pieces. Place the fabric pieces right sides together and sew a 1/4" seam down both sides.



11) Turn the handles right sides out. Place a safety pin through one end of the handle piece near the top but down about a 1/2". Push the pin down inside the handle piece and scrunch the fabric, then pull down the pin and repeat until the safety pin comes out the other end. Pull on it until you have turned your handle piece right side out. Press it flat with an iron.



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12) Fold the ends (both ends) inside about a 1/2" and press. Top stitch (1/8" seam) down each side of the handle piece.



13) Place the end of the handle on the inside of the basket. Pin in place and sew remembering to back stitch. Find the direct opposite side of where you sewed the handle in place and pin the other end of the handle and sew as well.



14) Finally to make the handle easier to grip, fold the center part of the handle in half and pin. Sew along the existing stitching (about 2 inches). Back stitch start and stop.



15) You have a basket! Embellish with fabric flowers, bows and other decorations.



The Grass is Greener Wreath

By: Patty for Capture the Details

Just looking at this cheery spring wreath will have you dreaming of warmer weather, even in the dead of winter! The best part of this door decoration is getting to touch the soft “grass” every time you walk through your front door!



Materials:

- 8-inch foam wreath form
- One skein of Lion Brand Yarn Fun Fur in lime green
- Daisy trim
- Long pearlized pink pins (1 1/2")
- Scissors
- Optional: wide pink satin ribbon to hang the wreath; paper and marker for sign



Instructions:

1) Start by wrapping the yarn around the wreath and tying a knot to secure the end. Then start wrapping...



2) Keep wrapping. Keep the strands very close together, pushing them closer if needed. Just work at a table and pass the skein of yarn through the center of the wreath with each wrap around.



3) Continue wrapping the yarn around the wreath form until it is completely covered.



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4) Cut the daisy trim apart between the flowers.



7) Put as many daisies in your baby grass as you would like.



5) Push a pink pearlized pin through the center of the daisy.



8) Optional: Add a wide pink satin ribbon to hang the wreath. You can also create a little sign that says 'bare feet welcome' or something similar and stick it into the top of the wreath form.



6) Insert the daisy pin into the foam wreath.



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