

Easter Crafts

Felt Eggs

Materials:

Felt (multiple colors)
Ribbon
Buttons
Embroidery thread
Stuffing

**Directions:**

Cut 2 egg shapes of the same size from felt. Glue ribbons horizontally to one of the eggs. Sew on decorative buttons. Use embroidery thread to attach the 2 felt eggs together. Leave a small opening at the top and add stuffing. Form a loop with ribbon and secure with embroidery thread while closing the opening.

Popsicle Chicks

Materials:

5 mini craft sticks
Orange and yellow
paper Cardboard piece
Scissors/Glue Googly
eyes
Yellow paint
Paintbrush



Directions:

Glue 5 craft sticks onto a piece of cardboard. Paint it yellow. Cut out some feet, beaks, and wings from the paper. When the yellow paint is dry, glue on all the pieces and googly eyes.

Salt Dough Eggs**Materials:**

1 cup flour

½ cup salt

½ cup water

Rolling pin Egg-shaped cutter

Spatula

Straw

Parchment-covered baking sheets Spray or acrylic paint

Paint pen

Clear sealer, optional

Twine, ribbon

**Directions:**

Stir together flour, salt, and water until a dough forms. Roll it out to ¼" thick and cut out desired shapes. Place the cut-outs on the parchment-covered baking sheets. Make a hole with a straw so you can hang the ornaments. Bake at 250° F for 2 hours.

Once the eggs are baked, dried, and cooled, paint with spray paint or acrylic paint. Allow the paint to thoroughly dry. Use paint pens to add polka dots or stripes to the eggs. Optional: To further protect the color and design, add a clear coat sealer. Loop twine or ribbon through the holes and hang.

Burlap Bunny

Materials:

8" x 10" piece of wood
7"x 9" piece of burlap with ends frayed
Pastel and white craft paint
Paintbrush

Rope or ribbon for hanging plaque
1 Pompom
Spray Adhesive
Sandpaper
Staple gun



Directions:

Paint the wood piece with craft paint, let dry. Trace or draw bunny shape onto the center of burlap piece. Paint the bunny shape with white craft paint. Once paint is fully dry (at least another hour or so), spray back of stenciled burlap with a generous coat of adhesive and place burlap in center of wood piece. Glue the pompom in place on the bunny to create the tail. Using staple gun, staple piece of rope to top of plaque.

Easter Candy Jars

Materials:

Small jars
Mod podge
Paintbrush
Fine glitter
Craft foam in pink, white and orange
Candy
Pompoms
Googly eyes
Hot glue gun



Directions:

Paint a thin layer of Mod podge all over your jar. Sprinkle glitter on it and shake off excess. Set aside and allow to dry.

Cut ears from your white and pink craft foam and hot glue them to the lid of your bunny jar. Hot glue a pink pompom for a tail. To make the face, glue on googly eyes and a pompom nose, and then cut whiskers and glue them in place. For the chick, cut some little feet and glue them to the bottom of the jar. Do the same with a little triangle beak and eyes for the face.

Washcloth Bunny**Materials:**

Washcloth

Rubber band

Glue

Googly eyes

Small pompom

Large pompom

**Directions:**

Place the washcloth on a tabletop and evenly roll two diagonally opposite corners toward the middle. Fold the rolled washcloth in half.

Fold the cloth in half a second time and wrap the rubber band around the second fold to form the bunny's head. Gently pull apart the rolled ends that extend above the rubber band so that they resemble rabbit ears.

Next, glue the googly eyes onto the face and the small pom-pom in place for a nose. Glue the large pom-pom onto the back to form the cotton tail.



Tie-Dyed Easter Eggs

Materials:

Eggs, hard-boiled
Vinegar
Food coloring in assorted colors
Paper towels
Plastic wrap



Directions:

Take a paper towel and dampen the towel with water and vinegar, making sure it is just damp. Place a piece of plastic wrap under the paper towel. Drip small drops of food coloring onto the paper towel. Allow colors to drop next to each other so they bleed slightly together. Make sure there is enough area with food color to cover egg. Wrap an egg in the paper towel and the plastic wrap. The longer you keep the egg wrapped, the brighter the egg will get.

Grass Egg Heads

Materials:

Eggshell
Felt tip markers
Cotton balls
Grass seeds
Paper



Directions:

Remove any remaining pieces of egg from inside the shell and wash it out. Place the egg in an egg cup or other container. Draw or paint a face on one. Separate and dampen one or two cotton balls and place inside the egg. Sprinkle a layer of grass seeds on top of the cotton balls. Cover the egg with a piece of paper until the seeds begin to sprout, then remove the paper cover and move to a window sill. Water daily.

Jelly Bean Carrots

Materials:

Clear plastic icing bags
Orange and green jelly beans
Green tissue paper
Green curling ribbon



Directions:

Fill the bag about half full of orange jelly beans. Add a layer of green jelly beans. Cut a strip of folded green tissue paper that is a little wider than the length now available from the top of the green jelly beans to the edge of the bag. Roll the tissue paper strip loosely and fit it inside the bag, pushing it down to meet the top layer of green jelly beans.

Tie 1 or 2 strands of curling ribbon around the bag, just above the green jelly beans, so that the ribbon cinches the bag tightly and holds the tissue paper in place.

Pompom Easter Chick

Materials:

Large yellow pompoms
Googly eyes
Craft glue
Scraps of orange felt



Directions:

Cut a small triangle from orange felt for the beak. Glue beak into pompom. Glue googly eyes in place on either side of the beak. Cut 2 pieces of orange felt into half circle shapes. Spread glue on the feet and press the feet in position, stand the chick up, and let dry.

Easter Berry Basket

Materials:

Plastic, mesh berry basket
Lace to fit around the rim of the basket
Scissors and glue
Strip of thin cardboard to use as a handle
Paint or ribbon to cover the handle
Easter grass to line the basket
Strips of material to weave into the mesh



Directions:

Cut a length of weaving material long enough to go all around the basket, with an inch to spare. Start weaving from inside a bottom corner, weaving the material under and over the mesh spines. Cut off any excess material. Apply glue to the back of the material and press into the corner to secure. Weave as many rows as needed to completely cover the sides of the basket.

Cut a narrow strip of cereal box cardboard to make a handle for the basket. Decorate the handle with paint or cover it with ribbon. Apply a generous amount of glue to each outside end of the handle. Attach to the top inside of the basket. Allow to dry. Cut a length of lace to fit around the basket rim. Apply glue to the rim then press the top hem of the lace into place, beginning in one corner and proceeding all the way around. Overlap and glue down the ribbon ends to finish.

Jelly Bean Letter

Materials:

Cardboard cut in the shape of an alphabet letter
Paint
Paintbrush
Jelly beans
Hot glue
Ribbon



Directions:

Paint the cardboard letter. Let the paint dry. Choose jelly beans to match the color of the paint. Hot-glue the jelly beans to the front of the letter. Let dry. Hot-glue a ribbon to the back for hanging.

Eggshell Mosaic**Materials:**

Broken eggshells
Food coloring
Vinegar
Paper
Glue
Clear lacquer

**Directions:**

Rinse eggshells and break into pieces. Prepare a variety of dye colors in plastic containers by adding a few drops of food coloring and a drop of vinegar to a small amount of hot water.

To dye eggshells, place them in the coloring mixture. Remove shells from dyes and spread them out on paper towels to dry. When shells are dry, place the different colors in separate containers.

Arrange the shell pieces in a basic mosaic design before gluing. When satisfied with your design, glue shell pieces into place.

Silhouette Yarn Bunny**Materials:**

Pastel Yarn
Scissors
Tape
Card stock



Directions:

First, trace an outline of the bunny on 2 pieces of paper. Cut out 1 outline. Cover the bunny that was not cut out with yarn. Once you have finished covering the entire traced one, you can tape the yarn down. Once you have taped it down well, place the cut piece of paper on top. Glue the 2 pieces together around the edges.