

St. Patrick's Day Crafts

Beaded Shamrocks

Materials:

Pony beads
Pipe cleaners

Directions:

Twist 2 pipe cleaners together. Put beads on in any desired pattern. Fold the pipe cleaners in half. Create a heart shape at the curved end of the folded pipe cleaner. Twist underneath that heart to hold its shape. Fold the remaining edges up and twist them in the middle. Push them into heart shapes as well. Add another pipe cleaner for the stem of the shamrock.

Mosaic Shamrock

Materials:

Green cardstock
Green patterned paper
Glue
Scissors



Directions:

Cut the assorted green papers into strips approximately ½" wide and then cut the strips into squares. Cut shamrock shapes from the green cardstock. Apply the glue to the shamrock cut out. Place paper mosaic squares on to the shape. Let dry and then trim any overlap.

Rainbow Twirlers

Materials:

Paper plate
Paint
Paintbrush
Black and yellow paper
Scissors
Glue



Directions:

Paint rainbow stripes on the front side of the paper plate. Let dry and then turn over and paint the backside. Start at the outside of the plate and cut in circles to cut spirals. Cut out a black pot and gold coins. Glue it to the end of the rainbow. Poke a hole in the middle of the plate and add a string to hang it up.

Shamrock Paper Chain

Materials:

Green tissue paper Scissors ½ Shamrock Pattern, optional



Directions:

Cut a sheet of paper into a strip that's wide enough for the size shamrock you choose. Fan fold the paper strip into folds just wide enough for the shamrock to fit all the way to both edges. Make sure there are places on the folds on both sides that you don't cut off – so the shamrocks will stay connected. Cut out the shamrock. Gently open the shamrock paper chain.

Shamrock Button Art

Materials:

Shamrock printout (<u>template</u>) Green buttons Glue Frame



Directions:

Print shamrock template or draw a large shamrock shape onto a piece of plain or decorated paper. Glue buttons to the shamrock shape and place in frame.

Rainbow Cloud

Materials:

White felt
'4" ribbon (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple)
Scissors
Glue
Sewing machine (or thread and needle)
Stuffing



Directions:

Cut 2 cloud shapes from the white felt. Cut one 10" strip of each color ribbon. Glue ribbon strips to the bottom edge of one cloud shape, allowing the ribbon to hang down. Place cloud shapes together and sew around the outer edge, leaving a small opening. Fill cloud with stuffing to make fluffy. Sew opening closed.

Tissue Rainbow

Materials:

1 paper plate
Tissue paper in red, orange, yellow, green, blue and purple
White craft glue
Pencil with an eraser
Scissors



Directions:

Cut the center out of the paper plate and then cut the plate in half. Tear tissue paper into 1-2"square pieces. Pipe a line of glue around the outer rim of the plate. Twist a piece of red paper around the eraser end of the pencil. Gently push the tissue onto the glue, pull the pencil out. Repeat with red until you get to the end of the glue line.

Repeat for each color. Next, pipe a line of glue around the rim just under the red and place orange papers. Repeat for yellow, green, blue and purple, working your way toward the center with each color.

Blarney Stone

Materials:

Rock
White and green acrylic paint
Paintbrush
Gold paint pen
White glitter glue



Directions:

Paint the rock white. Let dry. Paint green lips on the rock and let dry. Outline the lips with gold paint pen. Cover the entire rock with glitter glue and let dry.

Shamrock Stamp

Materials:

Shamrock cookie cutter Potato, cut in half Paring knife Green acrylic paint Paintbrush



Directions:

Press a shamrock cookie cutter into the cut face of a potato half. Leaving the cutter in the potato, use a paring knife to cut the potato from around the shamrock. Remove the cutter. Dip the heart into green acrylic paint and press it onto the paper.

Shamrock Hairclip

Materials:

Green Fabric Glitter Glue Sequins Plain hairclip



Directions:

Cut 5 four -leaf clover shapes out of various green fabrics. Put glitter glue around the edges to keep from fraying. Use hot glue to glue the centers to each shape in a stack. Glue sequins to the center of the top clover. Glue a clip to the back.

Pot of Gold Place Settings

Materials:

Small terra cotta pot Black spray paint Pipe cleaners in rainbow colors Gold foil-wrapped candies Gold pen



Directions:

Paint terra cotta pot black. Let dry. Cut each pipe cleaner in half. Bend slightly and slide them into the pot, one on top of the other. Fill the pot with gold candies. Use a gold paint pen to write on a name on the pot.

Felt Shamrock Pin

Materials:

Green Felt Scissors Needle Embroidery Thread Glue Pin



Directions:

Cut 4 leaf shapes (see image) from the green felt. Thread the lower half of the shape with thread. Pull thread tightly to form the clover shape. Tie the thread. Glue the pin to the back side of the clover shape.

St. Patrick's Day Vases

Materials:

Glass jar Puffy paint Green paint



Wash and dry jars. Draw a simple design or word with Puffy Paint. Let them dry overnight. Spray paint the bottles in a well-ventilated area. Use 4-5 light coats of paint, allowing each layer to completely dry. Add flowers for a lovely centerpiece.

Ribbon Wreath

Materials:

Wire circle or wire coat hanger Floral tape Two large spools of green and white ribbon Scissors



Directions:

Shape the coat hanger into a circle. Wrap the wire with floral tape. Tie bows in alternating colors around the wreath.

Paper Plate Pot of Gold

Materials:

Paper plate
Scissors
Black marker
Green and yellow construction paper
Markers for each color of the rainbow
Gold and green glitter (optional)
Glue or tape



Directions:

Cut a half-circle into the bottom of the plate. Cut out two pie-shaped pieces on the edge of the plate where the half-circle's corners line up. Color a rainbow that follows the arch of the half-circle. Color the rest of the plate with black marker.

Take the yellow construction paper and cut out a shape that resembles a pile of coins. Run a clear glue stick over the "pile of coins" and sprinkle gold glitter over the construction paper. Glue or tape this to the back of the paper plate with the glittery side facing frontward.

Cut out the shape of a shamrock from the green construction paper and glue it to the center of the pot. Optionally, glue green glitter to it.