

Father's Day Crafts: Blogger Edition 2010

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Letter from the Editors

Dear Reader,

In this eBook, explore a collection of <u>Father's Day crafts</u> designed by craft bloggers. You will find easy sewing crafts, paper crafts and thrifty crafts using items from around the house. You will even find a few food-themed craft projects for Dad!

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We hope you enjoy reading and creating!

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Thank you for sharing your ideas and continuing to inspire us!

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Stitched Leather Keychain

By: Jenya of MyEvaForeva

Cut and stitch a leather key chain for Father's Day with a geometric design. This homemade gift is easy to make and very stylish for Dad.



Materials:

- Leather
- Scissors
- Chalk
- Sewing Machine
- Colored Thread
- (optional) baby oil

Instructions:

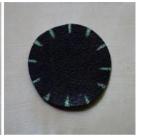
I first cut out two circles and one rectangular out of leather.



I used chalk to mark the corners. First I made the first four marks(like 12, 3, 6, and 9 on the clock). I then added two extra lines in between each of those.



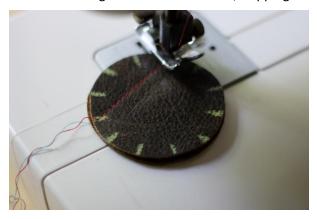






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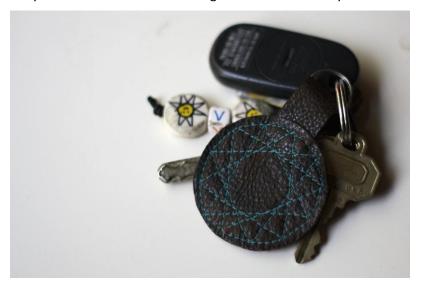
Before I begun sewing I placed a drop of glue between the two layers to keep the pieces together. I started stitching from the "first" mark, skipping three, to the "fourth".



After I got the triangle shape I stitched towards the "fifth" mark and started stitching the triangle again by skipping three marks. I almost forgot to sew in the holder loop.



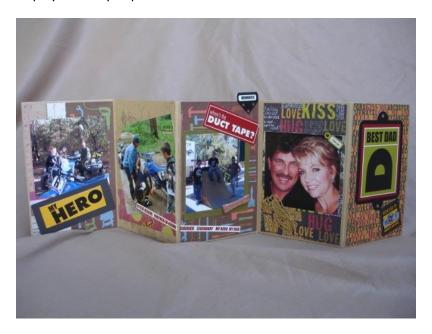
I made sure to finish all triangles and stitch along the edges. Then I erased the chalk and applied some baby oil to the surface and the edges of the finished key chain.



Father's Day Accordion Frame

By: Terri O

Make a unique Father's Day gift with this Father's Day craft project. An accordion frame is a great way to display a variety of photos and mementos.



Materials:

- Accordion book rom Walnut Hollow
- Paper & stickers. I used 7 Gypsies Soho Journey paper and Dad, Sports, family & Adventure stickers.
- Xyron 510 with the permanent adhesive roller
- Pre-cut border from Bazzill Basics
- Photos
- Paper cutter by Purple Cow

Instructions:

- 1. First decide what photos you want to use. Lay them out first and decide what order you want to put them in.
- 2. Cut and papers to fit a page. Save the left overs so you can use them as a collage on other pages. On some of my pages I have as many a three different papers for a background.
- 3. Add stickers to fit the theme of each picture.
- 4. Add ribbon or pop up stickers if you like.
- 5. You will find your book will probably not close completely flat. That's okay. The card is made to stand up and be admired over and over.



Tie Gift Bags

By: Kendra Halterman of My Insanity

Kendra Halterman of My Insanity would like to share her adorable Father's Day Tie Gift Bags with us. They are so easy to make, and you can create them with materials you already have!



Materials:

- · white standard-sized paper lunch bags
- scissors
- scrapbooking paper
- clear tape and/or 3Dot adhesive

Instructions:

- 1. Place your present inside the bag before you get started. Fold the top of the bag down (maybe 1 ½ inches) and make a nice crease.
- 2. Then, cut the bag at the bottom of the fold on each side, leaving the strips of the bag that can be folded down to make a collar.



3. I just used some clear tape to secure the "shoulders" so that the gift won't come out. A 3D dot adhesive is nice for the collar wings, but they can be glued or taped as well.



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4. I used scrapbooking paper (4x6 matting size) to make the ties, always taking advantage of the nice corner of the paper, and then eyeballing the folds I'd make on either side.



- 5. Folding the paper looks more like a real tie. I folded the edges of the leftover paper to make a strip to wrap around the base of the tie to look like the knot at the top.
- 6. Then, adhere the whole thing to the top of the bag, tucking the edges under the wings of the collar. If this is too complicated, just cut a basic tie shape out of scrapbook paper and tape it up there. It will be adorable either way. (Thanks to my friend Erin for sending me a photo of this general idea last year.)



What will you put in the bag?

Happy Father's Day to all of the wonderful men out there who have chosen to be Dads! Let's show them how much we love them!



Manly Coffee Jacket

By: from Molly Kozera of A Bit O'Shine

Make a manly coffee jacket resembling muddy tire tread with this clever craft project. This Father's Day craft project with embroidery is tons of fun.



Materials:

- Cardboard cup cozy (for pattern)
- Brown and black/grey felt
- Black sharpie
- Needle and thread
- Felt Glue
- clothespins
- black hair elastic
- button

Instructions:

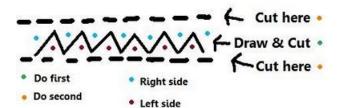
First you'll need a cardboard cup cozy or a pattern for one. I *had* to get myself a latte in order to get mine. Ah darn.

Placing it over brown felt, I traced it twice using a black Sharpie. One piece will be for the front, the other for the backing.



To make the tread pattern I studied a bunch of tire tread photos and decided this is the basic idea. If you draw a mountain/pointy tooth line as long as your felt needs to be, you only have to cut once down the middle and then a second time on the other edge, therefore making two pieces with only two cuts. Clear as mud?

Making the tread frame



If you line up your pattern close enough to the edge of the felt you only have to make two cuts instead of the three I show in my really sophisticated drawing done with MS Paint.

Once you have the outside frame, cut a strip of black felt approximately 3/8 of an inch wide and snip it off in 5/8 of an inch long pieces. I ended

up needing 25 of these pieces. These will make up the center of the tread and should be laid out in a spaced out herringbone brick sort of pattern.



Like the above super sophisticated drawing done with MS Paint.

Using felt glue to hold the pieces in place until they can be stitched, lay out the pattern like so. Because mine wasn't exactly measured I had to do a little trimming and wiggling around to get everything to fit.





Once everything was glued and dried I used embroidery floss that I divided in half (three

strands instead of the full six) and stitched each rectangle and peak in the pattern shown below with the white dots. It's a lot of stitching, but this is for a man and I haven't known one who doesn't manage to tear up their things with regular use.



Not exactly pretty but you can see how sturdy I wanted to make it. It won't matter as it'll be covered up with backing anyway.



For a fabric java jacket you usually need a button and loop closure or Velcro. Since the cup size is likely to change, I went with button and loop - making the loop out of an old elastic hair band to allow for adjustability.





Using my felt glue and some clothespins I placed the end well inside to make sure it won't accidentally pop out when in use. When it is dry, apply several stitches around it (hiding them in the black felt on the front).



Next, sew on your button of choice and make sure it is sewn on very well. I placed mine about 2 and 3/4 inches inside the edge - this will keep it taut on smaller cups but still allows for adjustability to larger cups as well.



Once the elastic and button are stitched you are ready for the backing to go on. This is going to hide all your stitches and add an extra insulating layer.



I cut my backing 1/4 of an inch shorter than the front piece, applied felt glue and stretched it out and held it in place with clothespins while drying. Cutting it slightly shorter and stretching it should prevent rippling in the felt when it folds around the cup.



I then used my divided embroidery floss to blanket stitch the back and front pieces together.



And there you have it - a manly java jacket combining two of man's most beloved things: coffee and muddy tires.





Upcycled Back Scratcher

By: Cristin Frank

Use inexpensive materials, including an upcycled paint stirrer or ruler, to make a fun back scratcher for Dad this Father's Day. Do this earth-friendly craft project with kids.



Materials:

- Wood Paint Stirrer or Ruler
- Drill (optional)
- Craft Paint
- Alphabet Stickers (optional)
- 2 Plastic Caps (like those from a water bottle or an orange juice carton)
- Glue
- Ribbon

Instructions:

- (Optional) If you want to hang your back scratcher when it's finished, drill a small hole in the lower part of the handle. (When you're all done with the project, add a ribbon through the hole).
- 2. Paint the handle- I used acrylic paint, masking tape and alphabet stickers to decoratively paint the handle.
- 3. Glue the plastic caps to the top end of the paint stirrer (Opposite end from the drill hole). Use Guerilla glue or Krazy glue to be sure it attaches securely. You may need to roughen up the plastic caps to get the glue to work optimally. I added pictures of my kids to the inside of the caps. If you do this, be sure to position the pictures so they are upside-right when the scratcher is hanging.



4. Now wrap it up for Dad!



Father's Day Burger Box

By: Kimberly Crawford from For the Love of Paper

Make a burger box for Dad to hold 4 small cookie "burgers", cupcakes or his favorite treat. This Father's craft project is just too cute.



Materials:

- Making Memories Paper (Just Chillin Boy)
- Cardstock-Prism (Suede Brown Medium, Suede Brown Light, Intense Orange, Mystic Dark)
- Stamp-Stampendous (Dad Words)
- Ink-Clearsnap (Colorbox Chalk Creamy Brown), Tsukineko (Memento Rich Cocoa)
- Star brads-Making Memories
- Tools-Clearsnap (Colorbox Stylus for distressing edges), Fiskars EZ Squeeze Star Punch XL, Scor Pal

Instructions:

I wanted to create a burger box, kind of like the ones that Big Macs come in. This is pretty close, the lid opens, but without the domed top.

- 1. Cut a piece of cardstock to 6.75" x 12".
- 2. Score the 12" side at: 1.5" 5.25" 6.75" 10.5"

- 3. Score the 6.75" side at: 1.5" 5.25"
- 4. Cut at the usual box places and assemble.



I added all the embellishing after the box was assembled. The colors were inspired by the Making Memories paper pack, Just Chillin' Boy. The stamp is from Stampendous and is red rubber. I stamped it onto cardstock and then stamped the word DAD onto patterned paper. It was cut out and foam mounted to the lid.



The recipe for the cookie "burgers" can be found at verybestbaking.com. Quick and easy to make and the results crack me up! The bun is Nillas, the burger is crushed Nillas and chocolate chips, the lettuce is food coloring mixed with coconut, and the ketchup and mustard are writing icing from CakeMate.



Father's Day Coin Frame

By: Katie of Bower Power

Looking for a budget-friendly gift for Dad this Father's Day? Grab a hot glue gun and some spare change and create a coin frame wall art piece just for Dad.



Father's day is definitely a toughie. As a daddy's girl myself, I always dreamed of giving that perfect gift. But only my dad could afford to purchase those shiny new golf clubs or that new techno gadget. And so the inner crafter in me whispered 'make it personal'. And the inner designer in me threw in 'make it something wall-worthy'. That is exactly what this craft is all about. Extra points if your daddy works as an accountant, banker, or in finance. The best part is that it won't cost you an arm and a leg to make it...we are in a recession, right? So let's get started.

Materials:

- Picture frame with mat
- Hot glue gun
- Glue sticks
- Pen or pencil
- Scissors
- Cardboard or heavy cardstock
- Coins
- Aluminum foil & scotch tape

Instructions:

First gather your materials.

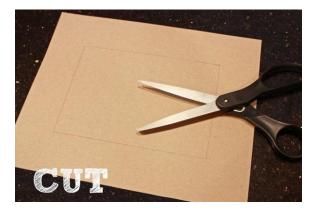


Trace the outside and inside of the picture frame mat onto your cardboard or heavy cardstock. The outside line will give you a guideline to cut. The inside line will give you an idea of how close to the edge you need to glue your coins.



Cut the cardboard or heavy cardstock with a pair of scissors using the outer line as a guideline.

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Wrap one side with aluminum foil and secure on the back with several pieces of tape.



Using your hot-glue gun, squeeze a small amount of hot glue onto one side of your coin and place the coin glue side down in the center of your foil-covered cardstock. Working away from the center, affix a layer of coins in a random pattern. Don't worry if the coins overlap slightly. The key here is to cover the aluminum foil. A second layer of coins may be applied if you like.



Let the hot glue dry. Then layer the new coin art into a silver-toned frame with a white mat.



Another option is to use pennies instead of silver coins. Eliminate the aluminum foil and use the brown colored cardboard as your background. Make sure to use a dark frame to offset the colors of the copper pennies.



Now here's the kicker: Wrap your gift and give to your Pops with a note that says "Daddy – I made you this art for your office. I hope that when you look up at it, you hear my voice saying 'Dad, I love you. You are the coolest. You are soo money and you don't even know it!"

Father's Day Forest Card

By: Terri Sproul

Make a father's day card with a forest theme with this craft project. Tree and letter stamps add wonderful detail to this homemade stamped card.



Materials:

- Indian Ink, Palette Hybrid Ink "Haystack" and "Starry Night" all from Stewartsuperior.com
 *White, Dark Green, Light blue and Dark blue Cardstock
- Stamps: "The Netherlands" by All Night Media, Stampscrapes "Autumn Bank"
- Letter stamps
- Large Cardbase 81/2" x 5 3/4"
- Faber-Castell Colored Pencils
- Corner Rounder

Instructions:

- 1. Stamp Netherlands tree onto cardbase using "Haystack" ink pad I ink the stamp once stamped in twice, ink again stamped the image twice. This give the look of two different color inks in the back ground.
- 2. Stamp "Autumn Bank" using India Ink onto White cardstock. Color in image using my Faber-Castell Pencils. Cut around image and matt image with Dark Green Cardstock.
- 3. Cut out two 2" squares in Dark blue and 2 1 3/4" Squares in Light Blue cardstock Round the corner on all piece. Adhere smaller square in the center of large square.
- 4. Stamp using Letter stamps and "Starry Night" ink "Happy Father's Day" onto whitecardstock cut out each of the words and matte onto Dark Green Cardstock. Put the card together as sample shows. I used Pop Dots on the "happy Father's Day".



Father's Day Spice Rubs

By: Becky Kazana

For a clever homemade gift for Dad this Father's Day, make a collection of spice rubs in cute packaging. Follow this tutorial for a culinary Father's Day craft.



Materials:

- Assorted spices
- Spice Grinder/Coffee Grinder/Mortar&Pestle
- Frying Pan
- Clear Sandwich Bags
- Old Postcards or Decorative Papers
- Stapler

Instructions:

Mum and I used these recipes from the latest issue of Gourmet Magazine (I'm a new subscriber, but have quickly fallen madly in love!) to make some wonderfully fragrant meat rubs with the contents of the spice cupboard, a frying pan and my handy coffee grinder.



It was a snap to do and I loved how the house filled with the smell of toasting fennel, cumin and coriander. (It made me miss Eric something fierce though. He's the real spice lover in our little family and it was his collection we were using up!)



We tripled the recipes for the many Dads in our life and packaged them in clear baggies...





And completed the gift by simply folding vintage postcards over the top, stapling them closed and neatly labeling them. We gave each fellow a pretty assortment. Isn't it lovely how each one turned out a different shade?





We did save one batch for ourselves and used it to make a batch of ribs. They were just perfect! How are you spending Father's day this year?



Homemade Treat Can

By: Jennifer Priest of Scrapbook Royalty

I recently purchased some nut medleys packaged in brown cardboard tubes from Starbuck's. My family already ate all of the goodies inside but I loved the shape and color of the sturdy tubes. You can "recycle" almost any packaging into something new. Fill Starbuck's Frappucino jars, Prima flower bottles, and other packaging with candies or treats from your local grocery's bulk candy and nut selection. My husband loves mixed nuts so I plan to fill this tube with a variety of flavored mixed nuts from our local market.

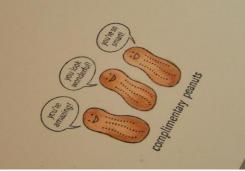


Materials:

- Stamp, Corduroy Brad Stampin' Up!
- Ink Memento by Tsukineko, Chalk Ink by Colorbox
- Bazzill or Neenah Cardstock
- Markers- Copic
- Tube Starbuck's (remove labels)
- Waxy Twine
- Spellbinders Dies
- Tape Runner or liquid glue
- Scissors

Instructions:

 Stamp the sentiment onto the white cardstock and color in with Copic Markers.



- 2. Cut a scalloped square from green cardstock using a Nestabilites die by Spell Binders.
- 3. Cut the sentiment to fit the scalloped square diecut.
- 4. Adhere the sentiment to the scalloped square.





- 5. Punch a hole in the top of the sentiment and add a corduroy brad.
- 6. Measure a length of waxy twine by wrapping it around the tube twice.
- 7. Fold the twine in half and tie a knot to create loop big enough for the top of the brad to fit through.





- 8. Adhere the two loose ends of the twine to the back or the sentiment.
- 9. Wrap the twine around the tube and put the loop end over the brad.
- 10. Adhere the sentiment to the tube.
- 11. Fill with goodies!

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