


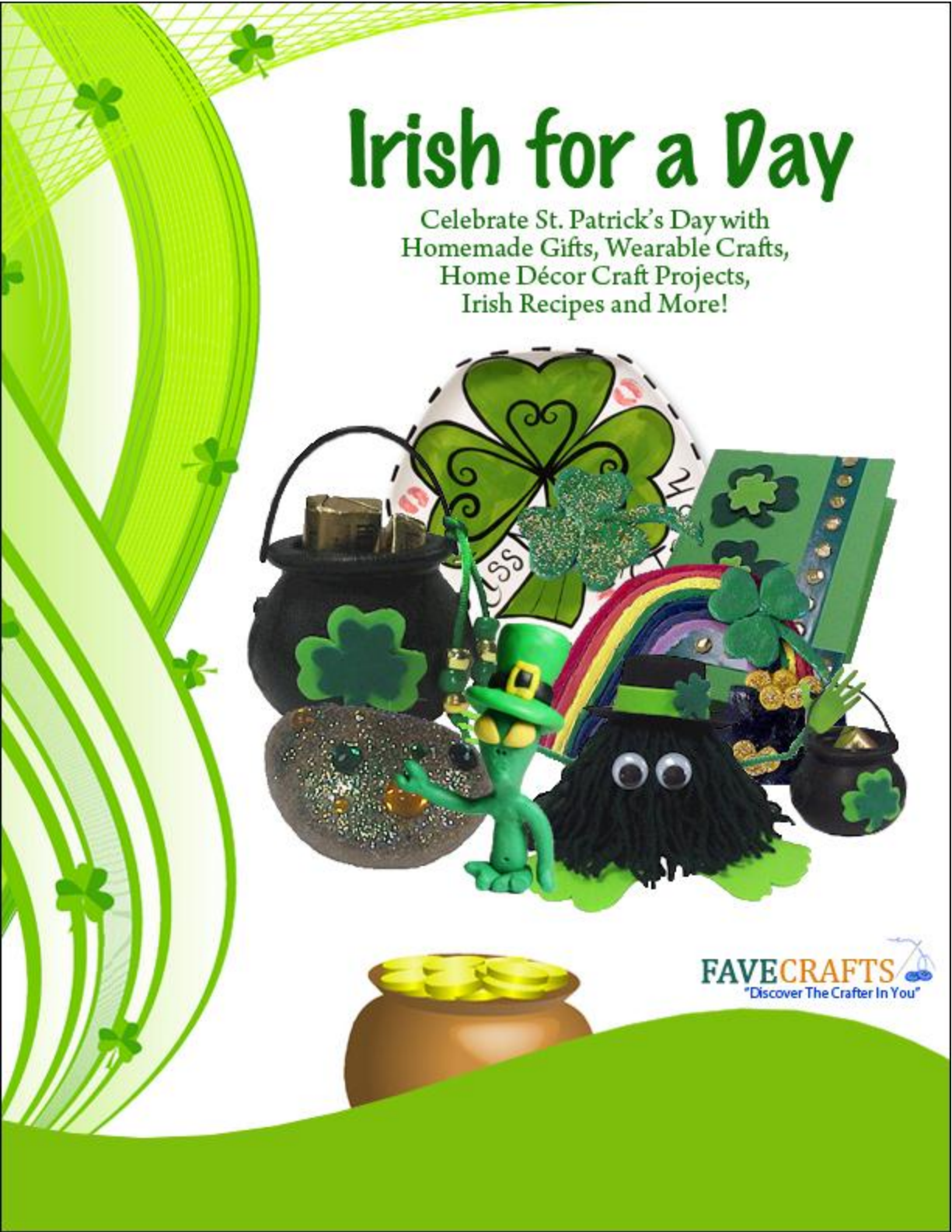
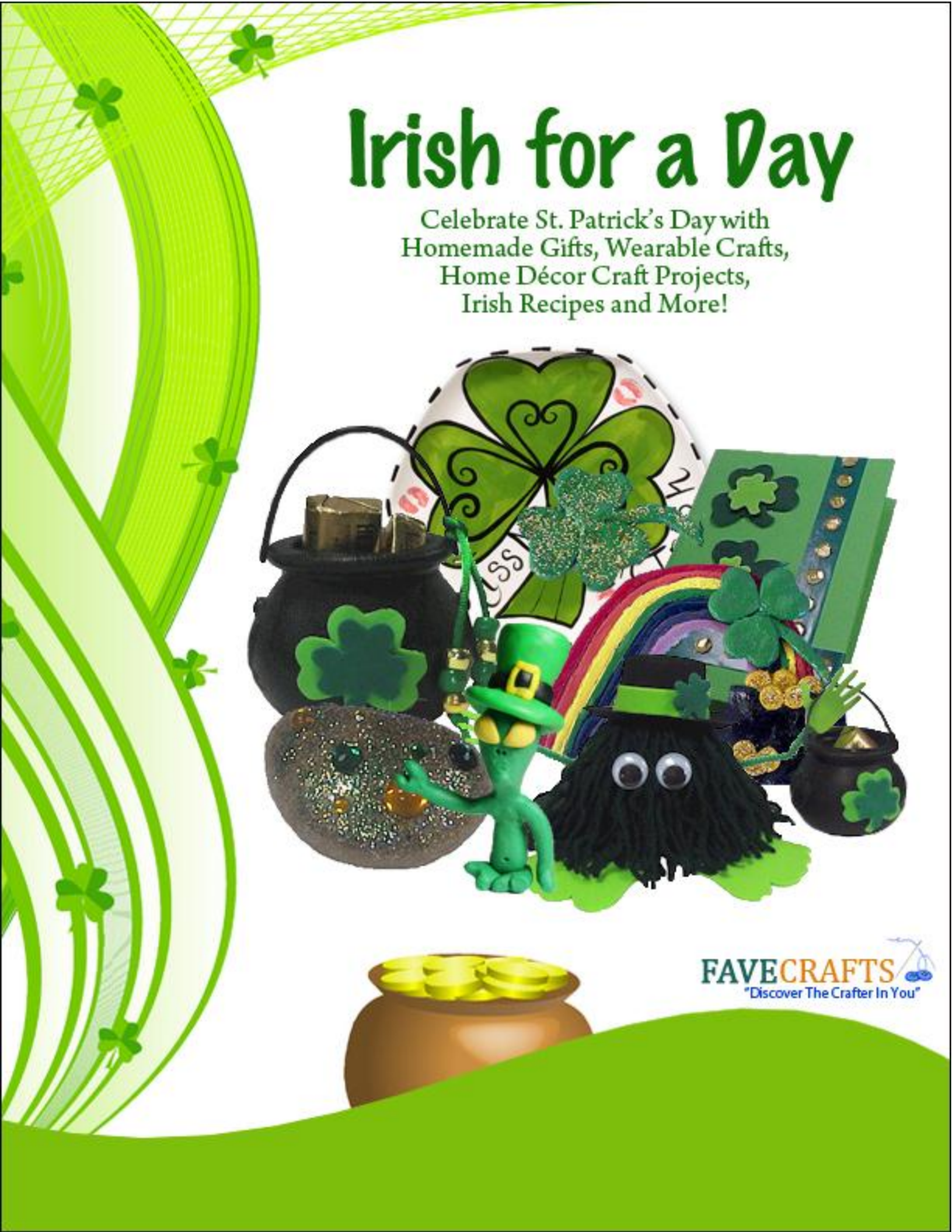
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Letter from the Editors

Dear Reader,

Whether you have some Irish heritage or simply look good in kelly green, St. Patrick's Day is a fun holiday when everyone is "Irish for a day." To help you plan your St. Patrick's Day festivities, we put together this holiday craft guide complete with what to wear, how to decorate, gifts to give, and fun activities. We even threw in some trivia just for fun. Thanks to a partnership with RecipeLion.com, we are also bringing you a hand-picked collection of St. Patrick's Day recipes to complete the day.

You can find more holiday craft projects, great activities for kids and extensive decorating ideas at www.FaveCrafts.com.

Our eBooks, like all our craft projects, are absolutely FREE to members of our crafting community. Please feel free to share with family and friends and ask them to sign up at our website for our [free e-mail newsletter](#).

We hope you enjoy reading and creating!

With Love,

The Editors of FaveCrafts

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Fun Facts about St. Patrick's Day

- The first St. Patrick's Day Parades were not in Ireland, but in Boston (1737) and New York (1762).
- Irish immigrants living in New York actually outnumbered Irish living in Dublin, Ireland at one time!
- St. Patrick was born in Scotland, but spent 40 years preaching Christianity in Ireland.
- Legend says that St. Patrick chased all the snakes out of Ireland.
- The three-leaf clover was used by St. Patrick to explain the Holy Trinity to pre-Christian Ireland.
- For St. Patrick's Day every year, Chicago dyes its river bright green to celebrate.
- Leprechauns are hard-workers although sometimes mischievous! They are the official shoemakers to the fairy kingdom.
- 19 U.S. Presidents have claimed Irish heritage.
- Seattle paints a green stripe on roads on St. Patrick's Day.
- Corned beef is completely an American invention, but very popular with Irish-American immigrants nonetheless!



Home Décor

Lucky Bazaar

By: IlovetoCreate.com

Irish eyes will smile at the sight of Lucky Bazaar! This bright green globe is the perfect St. Paddy's day decoration!



Materials:

- Color Bazaar Pigments, Emerald & Lime
- Color Bazaar Glass Objects , Glass Globe Medium
- Color Bazaar Tools , Plastic 6-Well Tray & Plastic Mini Spoons
- Liquid Fusion Clear Urethane Glue
- Color Bazaar Sparkle Fuse
- Miscellaneous: Sequin trim, Scissors, Newspaper, Disposable cup, Ribbon – coordinating color

Steps:

1. Cover work surface with newspaper.
2. Pour Emerald and Lime Pigments into 6-well tray.
3. Remove topper from Globe and pour Sparkle Fuse™ inside. Swirl around until inside is completely coated. Turn upside down and set on a disposable cup to drain excess adhesive. Pour excess adhesive back into Sparkle Fuse™ bottle.
4. Use mini spoon to scoop Pigments inside Globe.
5. Cover Globe opening with thumb and shake and turn until pigments cover entire inside surface.
6. Let dry and replace topper.
7. Use Liquid Fusion™ to glue strands of sequin trim around Globe as shown. Let dry.
8. Tie ribbon and sequin trim into a bow on top of Globe.
9. Celebrate the magic!

Irish Shamrock Plate

By Duncan Enterprises

Use Envision glazes and Signature brushes to create a shamrock plate in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day. This easy project is complete with a pattern to help fool your guests into thinking you bought this festive plate.



Materials:

- Signature Brushes
 - SB 802 No. 1 Liner
 - SB 806 No. 6 Round
 - SB 807 No. 6 Fan Glaze
- Envision™ Glazes
 - IN 1057 Iced Mint
 - IN 1061 Light Kelp
- E-Z Stroke™ Translucent Underglazes
 - EZ 033 Ivy Green
- Clear Glazes
 - IN 1001 Envision Clear Glaze
- Duncan Mold, Flower Plate DM 228
- Clay carbon
- Pencil

Find pattern on next page.

Steps:

1. Clean greenware and fire to shelf cone 04.
2. Transfer pattern to ware using a pencil and clay carbon.
3. Load the SB 806 No 6 Round with IN 1057 Iced Mint and pull one side of brush through IN 1062 Light Kelp. Keeping the darker color to outer edge of shamrock use a press, pull and lift stroke working from outer edge towards center to pull in each section of the shamrock. Reload brush as necessary and apply two (2) coats.
4. Load the SB 802 No 1 Liner as in step 3 and pull in stems to shamrocks.
5. Use the Round to apply two (2) coats of IN 1061 Light Kelp to outer and center raised edges of plate.
6. Load the SB 802 No 1 Liner with slightly thinned EZ 033 Ivy Green and detail shamrocks.
7. When dry, apply two (2) coats of IN 1001 Clear to entire plate using the SB 807 No 6 Fan Glaze.
8. Let dry, stilt and fire to shelf cone 06.



Irish Shamrock Plate Pattern



Yo-Yo Fabric Shamrock

Use heart yo-yos to create a lucky shamrock or three-leaf clover for St. Patrick's Day. These are a great way to use up scrap fabric in your stash.

1. Use the tutorial below to create three heart yo-yos in any green fabric. You can also use three different complimentary fabrics.
2. Place two yo-yo hearts with the points touching and stitch together at the back about ½-1 inch, depending on the size of your hearts.
3. With the points together, stitch another heart to these on each side of the heart to create the look of a shamrock.
4. Add green ribbon, pipe cleaner, cord or you can even [crochet a stem](#) for your shamrock.
5. Give these as gifts on St. Patrick's Day or hang from ribbon as ornament to display in the window.

Yo-Yo Fabric Hearts

1. Cut a large heart out from scrap fabric. It does not have to be perfect; that's the beauty of yo-yos!
2. Turn 3/8 inch of the fabric under on the left side of the heart.
3. Beginning at the top V-shaped indent of the heart, sew a long basting stitch counter-clockwise. Stop at the point of the heart, leaving a several inch tail of thread for later.
4. With a second strand of thread, begin again at the V indent, but sew clockwise this time and end at the point of the heart. Leave a several inch tail again.
5. Pull both threads until you create a gathered heart shape (it won't be perfect yet) and tie the strands together to secure. A gap in the center of the heart is ok. You can use this side as the back of your yo-yo or cover with a button later.
6. Take your threaded needle and stick it inside the heart and up through where the indent of the heart should be. Make a very small stitch where you want the point of the V-indent and pull back towards the center of the gathered heart.
7. Secure this stitch to one of the gathers.
8. You can now sew on a button to cover the gap in the center if you wish, securing to the gathers.

St. Patrick's Day Irish Kiss Me Plate

By Duncan Enterprises

Create this festive serving plate for your St. Patty's celebration using Concept colors and your own lips for the kisses.



Materials:

- Concepts® Underglazes for Bisque and Majolica
 - CN 073 Dark Scarlet
 - CN 182 Bright Kiwi
 - CN 253 Dark Black
- Signature Brushes
 - SB 802 No. 1 Liner
 - SB 808 No. 4 Round
- Clear Glazes
 - CN 2000D Concepts Clear Dipping Glaze
- Pencil
- Clay Carbon
- Duncan Mold, Geometrix Hexagon Plate DM 2274

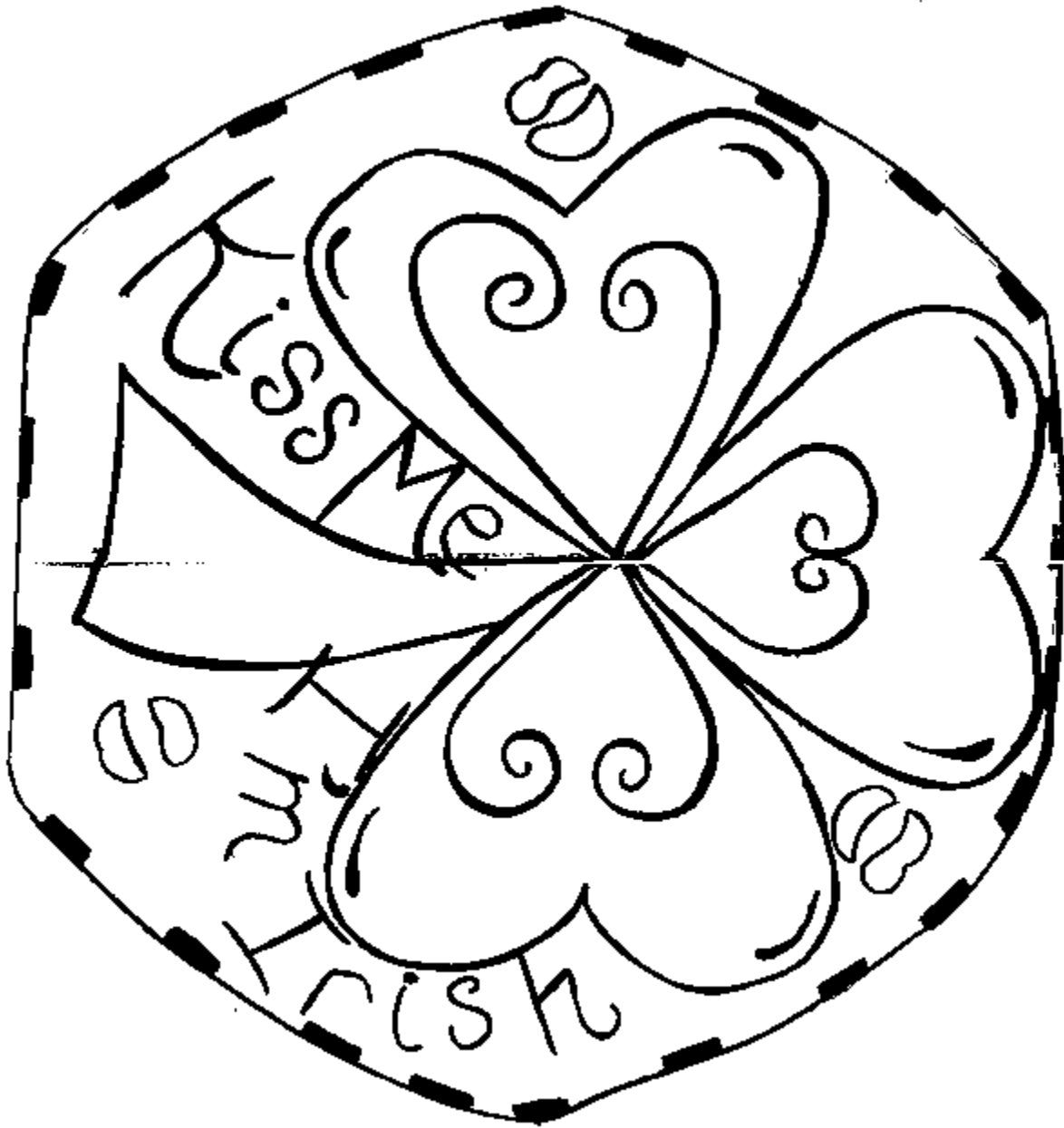
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Steps:

1. Clean greenware and fire to shelf cone 04.
2. Use pencil and clay carbon to transfer pattern in ware.
3. Apply two (2) coats of CN 182 Bright Kiwi to the shamrocks using the SB 808 No 4 Round.
4. Using the SB 802 No 1 Liner outline shamrocks and add lettering with CN 253 Dark Black.
5. Using the Round, apply two (2) coats of CN 073 Dark Scarlet to your lips and quickly kiss the plate three times for GOOD LUCK! Reapply color to your lips for each coat.
6. When dry, dip piece in CN 2000D Clear Dipping.
7. Let dry, stilt and fire to shelf cone 06.



Kiss Me I'm Irish Plate Pattern



Guest Towel for St. Patrick's Day

By: Brother International Corporation



Materials:

- Brother Sewing/Embroidery machine such as the Duetta™ 4500D or Quattro™ 6000D
- Brother Embroidery Card SA377 Holidays Design #8
- Brother Aqua-Melt Adhesive Backed Stabilizer SA5906
- Brother Ruffler Foot SA143
- Brother embroidery thread
- 4" x 4" or larger embroidery hoop for the machine
- Blank Towel
- Coordinating Fabric
- Coordinating Ribbon

Creating the Embroidery

1. Open Embroidery Edit on a machine such as a Duetta or Quattro.
2. Place the embroidery card in the machine. Select Design #8, press SET and EDIT END.

3. Duplicate border design to fit the size hoop you are using.
4. Choose the thread mark option and place a thread mark in the outside corner of entire design.
5. Hoop the adhesive back stabilizer. Remove protective sheet to expose sticky surface.
6. Center the area to be embroidered on the adhesive back stabilizer and press in place.
7. If using the continuous border hoop, place the stabilizer directly on the towel and position in the hoop centering the towel appropriately.
8. Stitch the first design.
9. Remove from the hoop and rehoop to continue the border design.

Finishing the Towel

1. To create the ruffle border, cut a strip 3 times the width of the towel to allow for gathering.
2. The width of the ruffle is a personal preference. The ruffle in the picture was cut at 4" allowing for a generous ¼ seam allowance. Fold in half, to create a 2" strip and press.
3. Gather using the Ruffler Foot. Stitch to the bottom of the towel.
4. Add the decorative ribbon to cover the raw edge of the ruffle.

Top O' the Morning Leprechaun Greeting

By Cheryl Ball for Delta Creative

This adorable smiling Top O' the Morning Leprechaun Greeting sign is sure to bring your home the luck o' the Irish. Display it outside your front door or in the driveway to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.



Materials:

- Delta Ceramcoat® Acrylic Paint:
 - Georgia Clay (2097)
 - Jubilee Green (2421)
 - Christmas Green (2068)
 - Lime Green (2489)
 - Santa's Flesh (2472)
 - White (2505)
 - Gleams 14K Gold (2604) Delta Ceramcoat All-Purpose Sealer
- Delta Ceramcoat Satin Exterior/Interior Varnish
- Delta Stencil Magic® - Checkerboard Medley

- Delta Paint & Toss Sponges
- Delta Stencil Adhesive Spray
- Delta Sobo Glue
- Wood Oval - Walnut Hollow - # 0277
- Piece of wood - 5 1/2" x 13" - or desired size
- Wood stake
- Brushes - 3/4" flat, #1 liner, #4 flat
- 1 yard - bright green 1" grosgrain ribbon
- Sharpie Marker
- Tracing paper
- Palette
- Pencil
- Graphite
- Cotton swabs
- Sanding block
- Masking tape
- Cardboard
- Wood pieces - Lara's Crafts:
 - 6 - 2" x 2" scalloped heart - U10763
 - 3 - 1" x 1" scalloped heart - U10762
 - 2 - 1 1/2" x 3/4" primitive heart - U10751
 - 1 - 6" x 1 1/8" ruler - U10307
 - 1 - 5/16" birch button - U10715
 - 1 - 1 1/4" x 1 1/4" square - U10254

Steps:

1. Apply a coat of All-Purpose Sealer to all wood pieces. Let dry and sand smooth.
2. Trace patterns onto tracing paper. Position face pattern into place on the oval, slide graphite between and

retrace lines with pencil. This will transfer the pattern to the wood.

3. Paint in the following sections. Let the paint dry before adding a second coat if needed. A blow dryer will speed up this step:

Christmas Green - rectangle wood piece
Lime Green - three large scalloped hearts and one primitive heart, band on hat and small square in center of wood square.

Georgia Clay - Beard

14K Gold - Remainder of wood square for buckle

Santa's Flesh - face

Black - hat, ruler, and edge of rectangle piece

4. Spray the adhesive to the back of the stencil following label instructions. Line up the largest stencil squares along the bottom edge of the plaque. Tap the flat end of the Stencil Sponge into Jubilee Green and tap off excess on palette. Pounce onto the stencil. Carefully lift the stencil off and set aside, blow the paint dry. Re-position the stencil and continue stenciling until the whole rectangle is stenciled.
5. Secure the three small and Jubilee Green wood hearts to the cardboard with masking tape - this will make stenciling easier. Stencil the medium size checks on the larger hearts with Lime Green. Use Jubilee Green and the small squares for the small hearts. Add Jubilee Green cotton swab dots to the Lime Green large hearts.
6. Paint the beard and eyebrows with Georgia Clay. Brush mix Georgia Clay and Santa's Flesh and paint in the cheeks and the wood button for the

nose.

7. Add Black cotton swab dots for the eyes. Use the Felt pen to draw in the mouth.
8. Use the liner brush and Santa's Flesh for wavy line on the beard, high lights on cheeks, nose and eyes. Use Georgia Clay for the line under mouth.
9. Position the face on the rectangle. Line up the lettering under the face and transfer to wood. Use the liner brush and White paint to paint the lettering. Add cotton swab dots to the ends of the letters.
10. Detail with felt pen - Buckle, around beard, and hat band.
11. Varnish all pieces and glue into place.
12. Paint the stake Lime Green if desired, nail sign to stake and tie a bow around the stake.

Wearable Crafts

Green Beaded Shamrock Necklace

By: Amy Scalise for Rings and Things

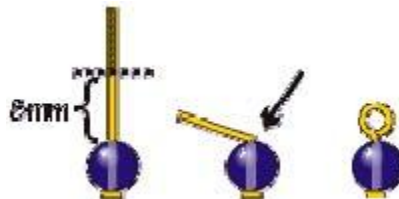


Materials:

- 2 #41-559 2x2mm crimp tubes, sterling silver
- 1 #39-548 10mm lobster clasp, sterling silver
- 22 #05-301-04-12 4mm Swarovski® crystal bicones, emerald
- 4 #05-601-06-12 6mm Swarovski crystal cubes, emerald
- 1 vial #20-228-378 Size 11 Toho® seed beads, emerald/silver-lined
- 9 #28-359-04-412 12mm foil-lined glass heart beads, translucent mint
- 3 #37-557 1" ball end extra-thin head pins, sterling silver
- 1 #37-245 3.3mm round jump ring, sterling silver
- 20" #61-723-49-02 0.018" 49-strand Beadalon® wire, black
- side cutter, round-nose and flat-nose pliers

Instructions:

1. Place one foil-lined heart on a sterling head pin. The 'dimple' of the heart should be at the bottom of the head pin. Using roundnose pliers, make a small loop (pictured below). Repeat two more times, for a total of three heart dangles. Set aside.



2. Cut approximately 20" to 22" of Beadalon. (Finished length of the necklace pictured is 17.5".)
3. String the Beadalon through one crimp tube and one sterling jump ring.
4. String the Beadalon back through the crimp tube. Flatten the crimp tube with flat-nose pliers, and trim excess Beadalon.
5. String seed beads, crystal bicones, crystal cubes and one foil-lined heart bead onto Beadalon, as shown in picture. Add one seed bead, one heart dangle, one seed bead and one foil-lined heart. Continue repeating pattern as shown. Hint: In example pictured, 9 seed beads separate the crystal bicones. To lengthen or shorten the necklace, add or subtract seed beads in equal amounts between the bicones.
6. Finish necklace by adding one crimp bead and the sterling lobster clasp. String Beadalon back through crimp tube and a few seed beads. Flatten crimp bead and trim excess Beadalon.

Lucky Clover Shoes

By: DecoArt

Brighten up her days this spring or St. Patrick's Day with these glittery, lucky shoes.



Materials:

DecoArt Products Required
Americana Brushes

- DBL1000-B - Liner 0
- DBR2002-B - Round 2

SoSoft Dimensional Writers

- DD318 - Lime
- DD319 - Bright Green

Supplies

- Water container
- Foam plate
- Paper towels
- Scissors
- 1/4" flat brush
- Lo-temp glue gun
- 1/4" wide coordinating ribbon (We used green gingham.)

- Flame lighter or wood burning tool (optional)
- White canvas tennis shoes

Steps:

1. Preparation: Remove any tags from shoes and remove laces.
2. Leaving edging of shoe unpainted, use flat brush and Lime to paint shoes; let dry.
3. On front section of shoes, use round brush and Bright Green to paint four small hearts with points meeting at center for each 4-leaf clover; use liner brush to add stem to clovers. Let dry.
4. Cut ribbon into lengths to match laces. Place glue over 1/2" of one ribbon end and roll up tightly; repeat for each ribbon end. Trim end evenly with scissors. Use wood burning tool or flame lighter to seal ribbon ends, if desired. (If using flame lighter, hold ribbon near flame to singe ends. USE WITH CAUTION.) Insert laces.

Lucky Charm Earrings

No need for any more good luck charms when you make your Lucky Charm Earrings.

By Katie Hacker for Beadalon



Materials:

- 18" length of .015" diameter gold Beadalon 7 beading wire
- 28 gold #2 Beadalon crimp beads
- 6 peridot 6mm bicone Swarovski crystal beads
- 8 peridot 4mm bicone Swarovski crystal beads
- 2 gold ear wires
- Beadstorm™ Chain Nose Pliers
- Designer Flush Cutters
- Designer Crimper

Steps:

1. To make the teardrop part of the earring: cut one 4" length of beading wire. Pass the end through a crimp bead, make a small loop and pass it back through the crimp bead. Crimp it.
2. Pass the wire through the following beads: crimp, 4mm, crimp, 6mm, crimp, 6mm, crimp, 6mm, crimp, 4mm, crimp.

Don't crimp any of the crimp beads yet.

3. Pass the wire end through a crimp bead, make a small loop and pass it back through the crimp bead. Crimp it.
4. Adjust the beads so they're in the center of the wire, then crimp the outermost crimp beads on to hold the beaded section in place.
5. To make the cloverleaf shape: Cut a 5" length of beading wire. Fold it in half and pass the ends through a crimp bead; adjust it so it's ¼" from the fold. Crimp it.
6. Hold the wires together and pass them through a 4mm bead and a crimp bead. Crimp it.
7. Pass each wire end through a crimp bead. Bend one wire in a loop and pass it back through the crimp bead. Crimp it. Repeat this step with the other wire.
8. Hold the wires together and pass them through a crimp bead, 4mm bead and a crimp bead. Crimp the crimp beads and cut off any extra wire.
9. To attach the wires to the earring, open the lower loop on the ear wire. Slide one end of the long wire onto the loop, then the cloverleaf, then the other end of the long wire. Close the ear wire loop.
10. Repeat Steps 1-9 to make a matching earring.

Tip: Choose beads in any shape or color for an equally dramatic effect.

Irish Princess T-Shirt

By: Duncan Enterprises

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day in style with this easy t-shirt project perfect for any Irish princess.



Materials:

- Tulip® Fashion Form™
- Scribbles® Iridescent
 - Shamrock Green
- Tulip® Soft Fabric Paint™
 - Metallic Gold
- Tulip® Fashion Glitter™
 - Emerald Fine Jewel
- Tulip® Fashion Glitter Bond™
- Tulip® Sticky Fabric Stencil™
 - 4 x 4 Stencil Pack - Everyday
- T-shirt - lime
- Masking tape - ¼" wide
- Self-adhesive shelf paper
- Permanent marker
- Chalk pencil - white
- Craft knife
- Aluminum foil
- Cosmetic sponge
- Paper towel and paper plate

Steps:

1. Prewash T-shirt to remove sizing. Do not use fabric softener. Insert Tulip® Fashion Form™ between layers of shirt. Remove backing from Heart with Swirl stencil from Tulip® Sticky Fabric Stencil™ Pack. Place Stencil where one leaf of clover will be.
2. Pour a puddle of Tulip® Fashion Glitter Bond™ onto foil and pounce glue into stencil opening with sponge. Immediately sprinkle Emerald Tulip® Fashion Glitter™ onto wet glue. Shake off excess glitter onto paper plate for reuse. Let dry. Remove stencil and place in position where the next cloverleaf will be. Refer to photo. Repeat procedure to create three more leaves.
3. Draw stem with chalk pencil. Apply masking tape directly along lines to create stencil. Pounce in Fashion Glitter Bond™ with sponge and immediately sprinkle glitter onto wet glue. Shake off excess glitter onto paper plate. Let dry.
4. Draw letters onto upper right side of T-shirt with chalk pencil. Start flow of Scribbles® Iridescent Shamrock Green 3D Paint on a paper towel, applying an even pressure on bottle for a smooth line. Trace letters with paint. Let dry completely.
5. Trace crown pattern onto self-adhesive shelf paper using permanent marker. Using craft knife, cut out to create stencil. Apply stencil at an angle right above the letter "P," running fingernail around edges to ensure a tight seal.
6. Pour a small amount of Gold Tulip® Soft Fabric Paint™ onto foil. Tap sponge into paint. Apply one coat of Paint into stencil opening. Let dry. Apply an additional coat of paint. Let dry. Remove stencil.

Lucky Clover Pendant Necklace

By: Jana Ewy for AMACO



Materials:

- 3/4" Heart shape cutter (Keep in small dish of ice water with few drops of oil.)
- Craft knife
- Scissor
- Needle tool
- 7" Friendly plastic stick: 1 White/white,
- Adirondack Alcohol inks: Stream, Lettuce, Oregano, Butterscotch
- Alcohol blending fluid
- Rubbing alcohol
- Paintbrush
- Electric griddle set at 200-250 degrees
- Non-stick baking sheet
- Envirotex Lite, resin sealer, or any high gloss acrylic sealer
- Non-stick cookie sheet
- E6000 Glue
- Jewelry components and findings of your choice

Directions:

1. Place the stick of plastic on a protected work surface. I start with a wash of the blending fluid over the plastic stick.
2. In a random pattern apply drops of lettuce and butterscotch as your

background colors. Allow the colors to blend together. Use your paintbrush to fill in any white areas that are left. Clean brush.

3. Dip the brush into the rubbing alcohol and touch the plastic where you want to create white circles. These circles will resemble puddles.
4. Mix a drop of stream and butterscotch together to create another shade of green dilute slightly with rubbing alcohol and using the brush apply within the white puddles.
5. Continue this process until you have attained a pattern you are happy with.
6. As the final application dip your brush into the rubbing alcohol and splash (splatter) the alcohol across the surface of the plastic. This helps to break up the design a little more. Allow to dry completely.
7. Pre-heat the griddle. Place the baking sheet onto the griddle. Place the plastic onto the baking sheet. Allow the plastic to soften.
8. Remove the pan from the griddle. While the plastic is still warm, cut out three hearts by pressing the cutter into the softened plastic. Be sure to dip the cutter back into the cold water after each cut. This will help keep it from sticking to the plastic. Allow the plastic to cool. Note: You may place the pan under cold running water to speed the cooling process along.
9. Use the needle tool to press under the edges of the cooled plastic to remove it from the pan. Pop out the ovals. If needed use the craft knife to cut

around each one. With your scissor and cut a stem from the remaining plastic.

10. Apply the Envirotex sealer following the manufactures instructions. Note: I like to place my pieces on a non stick cookie sheet. This way if there is any run off, it will be easy to remove later. Once I have the Envirotex mixed, I like to pour it into a small squeeze bottle. The application will be more precise and much easier. Blow softly, through a straw to pop any bubbles that remain. Allow the resin to dry at least 12 hours. If there has been any run off, remove the piece from the pan by pressing the needle tool under it and lifting it off the sheet. You can cut the excess that has run off with a scissor. Envirotex cures completely in 24 hours.
11. Place a heart onto your non-stick sheet and heat along the point of the heart with your heat gun to soften the plastic. Now position the other two hearts on either side and press them up against the softened heart. This will form your Clover. Continue to apply heat over the clover, Then add the stem. Continue to heat for a few seconds to secure the bond. Allow to cool completely.
12. Gather your jewelry components and findings, Position and glue the dragonfly along the top of the clover, so the loop of the dragon extends above the clover. This is going to be your connecting point. Glue on the bead cap and rhinestones. Allow the glue to dry.
13. Assemble the necklace and attach to the Clover pendant using jump rings.

St. Patrick's Day Gifts

Lucky Charm Necklace

By: Pattie Donham-Wilkinson for
ILovetoCreate.com

A life of luck will be yours with Lucky Charm Necklace. Show your St. Patrick's Day spirit with Lucky Charm Necklace!



Materials:

- Aleene's® Paper Glaze
- Aleene's® Original Tacky Glue®
- Tulip® Glam-It-Up!™ Iron-On Crystals™
- 23078 300 Multi-color Pack
- Miscellaneous:
- Earring hook
- Needle-nose pliers
- Shamrock image (from Internet or desired source)
- Jump ring
- Scissors
- Chain with closure
- Cardstock – white

Steps:

1. Cut two 1" wide circles from cardstock.
2. Print shamrock image from the web to fit inside 1" circle.
3. Glue earring hook between the two circles of cardstock with Original Tacky Glue, exposing only the ring of the earring for joining to the chain when completed.
4. Cut out shamrock and glue to one side of cardstock circle piece. Let dry.
5. Turn charm over to backside and glue crystals over the entire circle. Let dry.
6. Turn charm over to front and glue crystals around the outside edge, circling the shamrock. Let dry.
7. Squeeze a thin layer of Paper Glaze over the shamrock, carefully covering to the edge of crystals. Let dry.
8. Use needle-nose pliers to attach finished charm to chain with jump ring to complete.

Happy St. Patrick's Day Card

By: Deena Ziegler for Sizzix

Say "Happy St. Patrick's Day" with this lovely card featuring a lucky die-cut shamrock. This homemade card is a great way to invite friends to a St. Patrick's Day party.



Instructions:

Cut plain paper and fold to form card base. Attach patterned paper to card. Wrap ribbon around card and tie in a knot. Emboss plain paper with embossing folder. Trim and ink edges. Mat with patterned paper and attach to card. Print sentiment on plain paper, align in clear opening and die-cut. Embellish Shamrock with stamps and chalk. Tie ribbon in bow and attach to card.

Materials:

- 655774 - Sizzix Bigz Clear Die - Shamrock
- 656151 - Sizzix Textured Impressions Embossing Folders 4PK - Medallions, Frame & Damask
- Plain Paper
- Patterned Paper
- Ribbon
- Stamp
- Ink
- Chalk

Green Heart Key Ring Fob

By: Amy Mickelson for Rings and Things

This lovely green and silver key ring with glass heart beads is a great gift for St. Patrick's Day. Get together with friends and craft them together, while enjoying some Irish food or drink.



Materials:

- 1 #30-832-1 24mm key ring, white
- 4 #41-219-1 9mm split rings, white
- 4 #37-422-3 2" standard head pins silver plate
- 1 #37-423-1 3" standard head pin, white
- 3" #40-099-03-1 5mm hammered long & short curb chain, white
- 1 #28-359-50-999 28mm foil-lined glass heart bead, rose/mint
- 3 #28-359-04-042 12mm foil-lined glass heart beads, crystal
- 1 #23-386-632 6mm glass heart bead, blue zircon
- 2 #49-947-22-AS Spiral heart cast charms, antiqued silver
- 6 #20-228-048 Size 11 TOHO® seed beads, crystal/ silver-lined

- 6 #20-228-291 Size 11 TOHO seed beads, lavender
- 2 #23-264-043 Size 5 "E" beads, crystal/aurora borealis

Tools:

- Round-nose pliers
- flat-nose pliers
- side cutters
- split-ring pliers

Instructions:

1. Using side cutters, cut a 3" piece of chain. Using split-ring pliers, attach one 9mm split ring to each end of the chain. Attach one end to the key ring.
2. Create four small heart charms. To each 2" head pin, add one seed bead, one heart bead, and one more seed bead. Make a wrapped loop, using round-nose pliers. Before completing the wrapped loop on one of the charms, attach it to the chain, close to the bottom (see instructions and example below). Set the other three charms aside.
3. Create one large heart charm. To the 3" head pin, add one seed bead, one "E" bead, one 28mm heart bead, one "E" bead and another seed bead. Using round-nose pliers, make a double-wrapped loop. Attach a split ring to the loop of this charm, and then attach this component to the key ring, using split-ring pliers.
4. Using split-ring pliers, attach one antiqued-silver spiral heart charm and two glass heart charms (one crystal, one blue zircon) to the split ring at the end

of the chain.

5. Using split-ring pliers, attach a second antiqued-silver spiral heart charm, and the final glass heart charm to another split ring. Attach this component to the key ring.
6. OPTIONAL: Cut two 24" pieces of the ribbon or yarn of your choice. Attach to key ring using the larks-head knot.



chain-nose pliers to carefully wrap the wire around the stem. For best control, experts recommend you break this step into a series of half wraps.

5. Trim excess with flush cutters.

WIREWRAPPED LOOP TIP: (For best results, use both chain-nose and round-nose pliers.)



1. Use chain-nose pliers to grasp the wire just above the top of the bead.
2. Use your fingers to bend the wire sharply over the top of the pliers, at a 90° angle. You should have 2-3mm of straight wire between the bead and the bend (less for fine-gauge wire, more for heavy wire or more wraps).
3. Use round-nose pliers to grasp a spot just above the bend, and use your fingers to smoothly bend the wire all the way around the tip of the pliers. (For different sizes of loops, bend the wire around thinner or thicker portions of the pliers' tip.)
4. Now use pliers to grasp the wire firmly across the loop. Use your fingers or

Four Leaf Clover Charm

By: Bead Studio

Starting with four green heart beads, it's easy to create a lucky four leaf clover pendant perfect for St. Patrick's Day. Make two for a set of earrings or turn one into a bracelet charm.



Materials:

- Round-nose pliers
- Wire cutter
- Chain-nose or crimp pliers
- 3 1/2" Headpins
- 4 Glass Heart Beads (6mm Emerald)
- GS Hypo Cement (Or any clear glue)

Steps:

1. With 2 of the headpins add a heart, trim wire and make a small loop with the tip of the roundnose pliers, as small as you can.



2. With the remaining headpin add one heartbead, the 2 looped heartbeads

and the last heart bead, making sure all the points are facing the center.



3. Wire wrap the the end of the headpin to make the pendant.



4. Place down on a flat surface and glue the center of the clover to keep the beads in place. Before you glue consider how you will use the clover and direct the loop accordingly.





Good Luck Charm Bag

By: DecoArt

This cute gift bag can be made for you or a friend. Using acrylics and wood hearts you can make this lucky bag in six steps. Let your shamrock bring you luck.



Materials:

- DecoArt Products Required
- Crafter's Acrylic
 - DCA01 - White
 - DCA84 - Shamrock Green
- Craft Twinkles
 - DCT16 - Lime Green
- Americana Spray Sealers
 - DAS13 - Americana Matte Spray
- Three 1 1/8" wood hearts, Forster Woodsies
- Craft glue
- 3/4" flat brush
- #8 shader brush
- Liner brush
- Wood gift bag, Don Mechanic #388359 (50077)

Steps:

1. Refer to photo for placement and paint as follows: Shamrock Green, inside of bag; White, outside of bag; Lime Green, front and sides of heart shapes.
2. Use flat brush and Lime Green to paint 3/4" border across bottom of gift bag front; let dry between coats.
3. Refer to photo to glue hearts on bag in clover shape with tips of hearts meeting.
4. With back of box flat on surface, use liner brush and Lime Green to paint clover stem; let dry.
5. Use liner brush and Shamrock Green to paint words; let dry.
6. Spray with Americana Matte Spray Sealer and let dry.

Crafts for Kids

Felt Shamrock Garland

By: The New Image Group

Cut up some felt and make a lovely Shamrock Garland for this St. Patrick's Day. Using the colors of the Irish flag, this shamrock flag will put you in a lucky mood.



Materials:

- Pencil and Scissors
- Single Hole Punch
- 1 12 x 18 Pirate EZ Felt Sheet
- 1 12 x 18 Yellow EZ Felt Sheet
- 100" of 1/4" Grosgrain Ribbon
- [Shamrock Garland Template](#)

Steps:

1. Arrange shamrocks (from template) on each EZ Felt Sheet like below image.



2. Cut out shamrocks from EZ Felt Sheet. Mark on your shamrocks with pencil where the holes will be punched.



3. Repeat steps #1 & #2 on remaining EZ Felt Sheet.
4. Using the single hole punch, punch holes where you have marked.



5. Arrange your garland in alternating colors on a flat surface. Once you have determined your arrangement, begin stringing two shamrocks together with ribbon and tying a bow at the ends.



Leprechaun Hat Decoration

By: DecoArt

Every St. Patrick's day you can bring out this decorative leprechaun hat. It's done in only five easy steps. The gold twinkles really do make it look magical.



Steps:

1. Paint box and lid Shamrock Green.
2. After box has dried, use flat brush and Gold to paint stripe around sides of box, with edge of brush along edge of box rim. Allow to dry between coats.
3. Use marker to draw square for buckle on hat band stripe at center of one side.
4. Center and glue rim of box to top of lid.
5. Spray hat with Americana Matte Spray Sealer and let dry.

Materials:

- DecoArt Products Required
- Crafter's Acrylic
 - DCA84 - Shamrock Green
- Craft Twinkles
 - DCT3 - Gold
- Americana Spray Sealers
 - DAS13 - Americana Matte Spray
- Fine point permanent black marker
- Craft glue
- 3/4" flat brush
- Wood box, Don Mechanic #328256 (17783)

How to Make Green Salt Dough

Mix up a batch of salt dough and entertain your child for hours. There's so much fun to be had – use cookie cutters for neat shapes or sculpt freestyle. Let it dry and use acrylic paints for even more decorating fun!

Materials:

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup salt
- 3/4 cup water
- Green Food coloring
- Mixing bowl

Steps:

1. Mix together salt, flour, and water in a large mixing bowl.
2. Knead in food coloring. Continue kneading until mixture reaches a doughy consistency.
3. Use immediately or store in an airtight container for later use.

Ideas for How to Use:

- Make clovers by connecting the points of three hearts.
- Cut out the letters for Ireland with letter cookie cutters and let the dough dry (this can be sped up in the oven).
- String dough shapes to make a St. Patrick's Day garland.

St. Patrick's Day Recipes from RecipeLion.com

County Cork Irish Stew

This is one of the Saint Patrick's Day recipes my family makes every year. It's hearty and delicious, and everyone who tastes it says it's a great Irish dinner recipe.

Serves: 4 **Cooking Time:** 40 min

Ingredients

- 8 small lamb chops, thawed
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- parsley
- bay Leaves
- peppercorns
- thyme
- rosemary
- 1 pound potatoes (3-4 medium)
- 2 cups finely shredded cabbage
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 large leek (white part), thin sliced
- 12 small white onions
- 1 1/2 cups celery stalks, diced
- 1 1/2 cups peas
- chopped fresh parsley

Instructions

1. Season chops with salt and pepper. Heat oil in saucepan wide enough to hold all chops in a single layer. Brown on both sides.
2. Spoon off any melted fat and add enough water to cover chops.
3. Bring to a boil and add parsley, bay leaf, peppercorns, thyme and rosemary to taste, enclosed in cheesecloth.
4. Lower heat and simmer.
5. Meanwhile, peel potatoes and shape into bite sized rounds.
6. Chop trimmings from potatoes into small pieces.
7. Add potatoes, trimmings, cabbage, onion, well-rinsed leek, white onions and celery to chops and liquid.
8. Simmer 20 minutes then add peas. Add a little more water if needed during cooking.
9. Simmer 10 minutes more or until potatoes are tender. Correct seasoning. Garnish with parsley and serve.

Irish Beef and Guinness Casserole

This wonderful Irish beef and Guinness casserole is a wonderful warm meal, and you can even make it ahead and freeze it. Makes a nice change from the usual corned beef and cabbage Saint Patrick's Day recipes, and you can eat it all year 'round.

Cooking Time: 2 min

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons of oil
- 2 pounds of rib steak bound, well trimmed and cut into cubes
- 2 onions thinly sliced
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 tablespoon soft dark brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon plain flour
- 125 ml Guinness
- 125 ml water
- Bouquet garni
- 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon dijon mustard or other French mustard
- 1 pinch of ground cloves
- salt/freshly ground black pepper
- $\frac{1}{2}$ pound (225g) of broccoli/cauliflower florets

Instructions

1. Set oven gas mark 3, 160C, 325F.
2. Heat the oil in a frying pan. In it brown the beef, a few pieces at a time.
3. Remove the meat as it browns to a casserole dish.
4. Add the onion and garlic to the pan and cook for a few minutes, sprinkle in the sugar and flour, stir it around to soak up the juices, then gradually stir in the water and the Guinness stirring all the time.
5. Add the bouquet garni, wine vinegar, mustard and ground cloves and seasoning; bring to the boil and pour it over the meat in the casserole.
6. Put the lid on and cook in the oven for 1.5 hours or until the meat is tender.
7. Approximately 20 mins before the end of cooking time, add broccoli or cauliflower to the casserole unless you are making ahead of time (see note).

Notes: The dish will taste better if made a day or two ahead. Add the broccoli or cauliflower when you reheat. Freezes very well.

Easy Bubble and Squeak

Want to know why this recipe, perhaps one of the most popular Irish food recipes, is called bubble and squeak? Listen to it as it cooks and you'll understand! It's delicious and musical.

Serves: 4

Cooking Time: 30 min

Ingredients

- 3 to 4 unpeeled potatoes, boiled and cooled
- 4 cups cabbage, chopped and blanched
- 1/2 medium yellow onion, peeled and chopped
- 1 smallish zucchini, grated
- 4 to 5 slices bacon, chopped and browned, fat reserved
- 1/2 cup chopped ham
- fresh ground pepper to taste

Instructions

1. Mash the potatoes in a large bowl gently with your hands.
2. Add the rest of the ingredients except for the reserved fat. Toss to mix.
3. Heat teflon or silverstone frying pan.
4. Place bacon fat in pan, press potato mixture on top.
5. Brown over medium heat until golden brown on bottom (about 1/2 hour).
6. Invert on plate and serve.

Dublin Coddle

Description

A favorite in my family, Dublin coddle is one of the tastiest Irish food recipes you'll find. We keep it in our collection of Saint Patrick's Day recipes so that we can make it for the holiday, but we tend to serve it once a month in the cooler weather.

Serves: 8

Cooking Time: 1 hr

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 pounds pork sausage, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 1/2 pounds smoked ham, cut into 1-inch dice
- 1 quart boiling water
- 2 large yellow onions, peeled and thinly sliced
- 2 pounds potatoes, peeled and thickly sliced
- 4 tablespoons chopped parsley
- salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

Instructions

1. Place the sausage and ham in the boiling water and boil for 5 minutes.
2. Drain, but reserve the liquid.
3. Put the meat into a large saucepan (or an ovenproof dish) with the onions, potatoes, and parsley.
4. Add enough of the liquid to not quite cover the contents.
5. Cover the pot and simmer gently for about 1 hour, or until the liquid is reduced by half and all ingredients are cooked but not mushy.
6. You may need to remove the lid. during the last half of the cooking process.
7. Season. Serve hot with the vegetables on top and fresh Irish Soda Bread and a glass of stout.

Chicken and Leek Pie

Description

Looking for something a little more unusual in terms of what to serve in the way of Saint Patrick's Day recipes? Try this traditional chicken and leek pie. It's super yummy served hot, but this pie also forms a delicious soft jelly when cold.

Serves: 8 **Cooking Time:** 30 min

Ingredients

- 6 ounces shortcrust pastry
- 4 pounds chicken, boned and chopped
- 4 slices ham steak
- 4 leeks, cleaned, chopped
- 1 medium onion
- salt
- pepper
- 1 pinch ground mace or nutmeg
- 300 milliliters chicken stock
- 125 milliliters double cream

Instructions

1. Make the pastry and leave it in a cold place to rest.
2. Preheat oven to 350F degrees.
3. In a deep 1 - 1 1/2 quart dish, place layers of the chicken, the ham, leeks and onion or shallot, adding the mace, nutmeg and seasoning, then repeating the layers until the dish is full.
4. Add the stock, then dampen the edges of the dish before rolling out the pastry to the required size.
5. Place the pastry over the pie and press the edges down well. Crimp them with a fork. Make a small hole in the center.
6. Roll out the scraps of pastry and form a leaf or rosette for the top. Place this very lightly over the small hole.
7. Brush the pastry with milk, and bake at moderate heat, 350F degrees, for 25-30 minutes.
8. Cover the pastry with damp greaseproof paper when partially cooked if the top seems to be getting too brown.
9. Gently heat the cream.
10. When pie is cooked, remove from oven. Carefully lift off the rosette and pour the cream in through the hole. Put back the rosette and serve.

Lime Party Punch

Description

Holiday punch recipes are such fun, and many of them are really easy to make. Take this one, perfect for a kid's St. Patrick's Day party. Just put all the ingredients into a punch bowl, let the kids stir it up (gently!), and serve in festive little party cups. The green color works well for Christmas parties too, or summertime birthdays, or any other occasion. Don't like lime? Substitute the sherbet flavor of your choosing.

Serves: 20

Ingredients

- 1/2 gallon box lime sherbet
- 2 liters bottle ginger ale or Sprite/7-Up
- 1 large can of pineapple juice

Instructions

1. Place the sherbet into the punch bowl.
2. Pour the pineapple juice and ginger ale over it.
3. Mix and serve with ladle.

Notes

This punch can also be made by the glass. Using an ice cream scoop, place a ball of sherbet into the glass. Pour pineapple juice and ginger ale over it.

Homemade Bailey's Irish Cream

Description

Make your own version of classic Bailey's Irish Cream. This is the perfect recipe for St. Patrick's day drinks.

Ingredients

- 1 pint half and half
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups Irish whiskey (Canadian Club works too)
- 2 tablespoons chocolate syrup
- Dash cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Instructions

1. Blend until mixed well, serve cold.

Notes

Stores up to two weeks in the fridge, but it's never lasted that long.

Irish Soda Bread Cookies

Description

Hoping to find an Irish soda bread recipe that's a little more special than the usual? You've found it! This recipe is for Irish soda bread cookies, and they're fun to make with the kids...and even more fun to eat.

Yields: 36

Cooking Time: 14 min

Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup white sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon baking soda
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter or margarine
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup currants
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup buttermilk
- 1 egg
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon caraway seeds

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
2. Combine dry ingredients in a mixing bowl.
3. With a pastry blender, cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse meal.
4. Stir in currants.
5. Mix in beaten egg.
6. Pour in milk and mix with a fork to make a soft dough (may need a little more milk).
7. On a floured surface, shape dough into a ball and knead lightly 5 or 6 times.
8. Roll out dough to $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick and cut into squares and triangles with a knife (approximately 2 inches in diameter).
9. Bake for 12 to 14 minutes or until slightly browned.

Irish Black Ginger Cake

Description

This unique ginger cake is loaded with flavor from molasses, coffee and spices like cinnamon, cloves and ginger. This cake is so tasty it doesn't even need frosting, but if you're craving a sweet topping, try a coffee icing.

Cooking Time: 1 hr

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, softened
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup blackstrap molasses
- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger (or 1/2 teaspoon freshly grated ginger root)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 cup hot strong freshly brewed coffee

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Butter an 8-inch square or 9-inch round cake pan and set aside.
2. Cream together the butter and sugar until smooth. In a large bowl, beat the egg into the molasses, then add to the butter mixture. Sift together the flour, spices, and salt, then fold into the butter mixture.
3. Dissolve the baking soda in the hot coffee, then add it to the batter. Beat vigorously until well blended.
4. Scrape the batter into the prepared pan. Bake for 45 to 60 minutes, or until a tester inserted into the center of the cake comes out clean.

Baileys Chocolate Chip Cheesecake

Description

This rich and creamy cheesecake is delightful with the addition of Baileys Irish Cream. Bring thing to a potluck or dinner party and everyone will go wild.

Cooking Time: 1 hr 20 min

Ingredients

- 2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar
- 6 tablespoons ($\frac{3}{4}$ stick) butter, melted
- 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ pounds cream cheese, room temperature
- 1 $\frac{2}{3}$ cups sugar
- 5 eggs, room temperature
- 1 cup Baileys Irish Cream
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup chilled whipping cream
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon instant coffee powder
- Chocolate curls

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Coat 9" diameter springform pan with nonstick vegetable oil spray. Combine crumbs and sugar in pan. Stir in butter. Press mixture into bottom and 1" up sides of pan. Bake until light brown, about 7 minutes.
2. Maintain oven temperature at 325 degrees F. Using electric mixer, beat cream cheese until smooth. Gradually mix in sugar. Beat eggs in one at a time. Blend in Baileys and vanilla. Sprinkle half of chocolate chips over crust. Spoon in filling. Sprinkle with remaining chocolate chips.
3. Bake cake until puffed, springy in center and golden brown, about 1 hour 20 minutes. Cool cake completely.
4. Beat cream, sugar, and coffee powder until peaks form. Spread mixture over cooled cake. Garnish cake with chocolate curls.

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