

Recycled Crafts

Show your patriotism this year with recycled Fourth of July holiday crafts! Tin can luminaries are a fun and inexpensive way to show your pride for our country and the environment.

Instructions

1. Rinse your tin cans and remove the labels.
2. Fill the cans with water, about 1 inch from the top, and freeze them for at least 24 hours. This enables you to punch holes in the cans without denting them. (Note: While freezing, the bottoms of the cans may bulge.)
3. Set the tin cans on their sides on a towel to protect your work surface from melting ice.

4. Carefully punch a design onto one side of the can using a nail and hammer. Simple star and geometric designs are great for the Fourth of July.



4. For more elaborate designs, sketch a design on a piece of paper, tape it to the can, and punch accordingly.

5. After you've completed your design, let the cans melt in the sink. Then let the cans dry completely.
6. Spray paint your luminaries in a well-ventilated area using red, white, and blue spray paint.
7. Place a small amount of sand in the bottom of the can to prevent it from being knocked over or blown around.
8. Place a tea light candle in each of your luminaries and set them on the ground.

*Source: www.HomeMadeSimple.com.
For additional recycled craft ideas visit www.make-stuff.com/recycling.*

CVWMA Drop-Off Recycling

With nearly 50 sites in Central Virginia, we're sure there's a location near you!

Is curbside not yet available in your neighborhood? Do you collect a large number of recyclable items at cookouts and picnics during the summer? If so don't forget about CVWMA drop-off recycling. It's easy!

CVWMA's drop-off recycling program provides convenient, quick and easy recycling opportunities for Central Virginia residents. With nearly 50 locations, we're sure there's a location near you. Simply drop-off your recycling on your way to work or before

a Saturday afternoon outing.

The green drop-off containers are conveniently located at schools, fire stations, transfer stations and shopping centers. The containers feature large openings for trouble-free collection of two recyclable "streams" - mixed paper and mixed containers. Items accepted include aluminum and steel cans, plastic bottles, cardboard, junk mail and glass bottles and jars.

Additional containers for newspaper only

are available at most locations and some sites feature cardboard only containers.

CVWMA drop-off sites typically collect 4,500 tons of recyclable material annually.

For a list of sites near you visit www.cvwma.com.

