Craft your own Christmas decorations

There's no need to go out and purchase new decor every year. Much can be done simply in your own home! Here's a list of items you can make by hand.



- [ ] Convert tattered old blankets into new Christmas Stockings
- [ ] Make a mason jar Christmas tree! Pack them with sparkly ornaments and then stack them in a triangular, ascending order. Then decorate with beads and garland
- [ ] Turn your transparent salt shakers into winter wonderland scenes by inserting miniature Christmas trees (https://goo.gl/AK35CM)
- [ ] Make your own Advent Calendar! Use small, coin envelopes (https://goo.gl/XggACc) and glue them onto a large frame or board. Decorate with string, stickers, stamps, etc. & fill with candy
- [ ] Forget typical expensive wrapping paper, and go green by re-using house hold newspaper and other paper items. You can tape, glue or thread edges together for an extra clean touch
- [ ] Save your coffee filters, dry them, and then use them as garland! https://goo.gl/7wCXH3
- [ ] Purchase inexpensive transparent ornaments, and fill them with wood chips, shiny beads, feathers, shredded white paper, tinsel, and more
- [ ] Paint your own ornaments - with heavy duty cardboard, you can cut out your own shapes and paint a unique winter scene
- [ ] Make a Honeycomb Wreath - save cardboard tubes from toilet paper, paper towels, wrapping paper, mailing tubes, and recycle them into a wreath (https://goo.gl/oMeqs1)
- [ ] Make an advent calendar out of small matchboxes
- [ ] Pinecone ornaments - source your own pinecones from your front yard, and spray paint them winter whites, silvers and golds
- [ ] Get creative with tree decor and try hanging vintage skeleton keys
- [ ] Make a ribbon tree of family christmas cards (https://goo.gl/TA3Gjn)

- [ ] Repurpose pincushions (formerly used to store sewing pins/needles) as ornaments
- [ ] Cover kitchen cabinets/pantries with wrapping paper - the whole room will feel like a present
- [ ] Repurpose baking molds and cookie cutters as Christmas tree ornaments, as well. Simply secure the string with a knot or a dab of glue, and hang
- [ ] Use candles as centerpieces and decorate them with ribbon and glitter

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