

# Fun stuff!

## Make it

# Christmas CRAFTS!

Give your tree some extra bling with these terrific tree decorations!

**TOP TIP!**  
All these crafts can be made with recycled paper or card!

## CARD STARS

### What you'll need

- Thick cardboard
- Scissors
- Embroidery thread



**1** Draw around a cup or a can onto card, then cut out a circle shape.



**2** Make 8-16 slits into the circle at equally-spaced intervals. Make each slit about 0.5cm in length.



**3** Hold the end of the thread at the back, then wind it from the slit at the top to the opposite slit at the bottom. Then take the thread *behind* the circle, through the next slit along and down to the bottom slit opposite. Continue around the shape until a star forms. Repeat two or three times.



**4** When you've finished, turn the card over and check out the cool shape on the other side! Remember to leave a length of thread to hang it up with.

## FESTIVE FLOWERS

### What you'll need

- Toilet roll tube
- Scissors
- Paint
- Glue
- Paper clips

**1** To make your petals, flatten down your loo roll, then cut it into strips of equal widths. Use the first strip as a guide if necessary.



**2** Paint the petal shapes inside and out, then leave to dry.



**3** Put a blob of glue on the corner of one of the 'petals' and press it onto the corner of another petal. Use a paper clip to hold it in place. Repeat until all the petals are stuck together, forming a flower. You'll need to put two blobs of glue on the last petal.



**DON'T FORGET TO REMOVE THE PAPER CLIPS!**

## PAPER BAUBLES

### What you'll need

- Coloured paper
- Scissors
- Thread
- Paper fasteners
- Hole punch (optional)



**1** Cut the paper into narrow, equal-sized strips. You'll need 8-15 for each bauble.



**2** Stack the strips neatly on top of each other and fasten at the top and bottom with paper fasteners. If your strips are thick, it might be handy to use a hole punch first.



**3** Bend the stack of strips to make a curved shape, with the top of the fasteners facing outwards. Then fan out the strips until they form a ball. This part might get fiddly if you have lots of strips! Wind thread around the fastener and hang it up.

**EXPERIMENT WITH DIFFERENT LENGTHS AND COLOURS OF PAPER!**



Q Why did Santa's little helper feel sad? A He had low elf-esteem! Q What's green, warty and likes kissing? A A mistle-toad!