



### Shell Jewellery Bowls

Sometimes the best gift is a place to keep your most precious gifts.

These cute little bowls start life as simple shells and with some creativity they become beautiful creations to gift.

The main part of this craft is decoupage the tissue onto the shell and coating it so that it is secure, its really that simple.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/shelljewellerybowls.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/shelljewellerybowls.pdf)



### Decoupage Keyring

Just like the shell bowls this craft uses the decoupage technique to make a stunning gift.

The base recycles an old piece of plastic from a yoghurt pottle or ice cream container, adding layers of tissue turns it into a unique gift

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/decoupagekeyring.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/decoupagekeyring.pdf)

### Beaded Morse Code

Everyone loves a gift with special meaning and this is no exception.

Normally beading is just that, beading, but this craft uses round and long beads to translate Morse code into a secret surprise message.

All you need is to translate what you want your creation to say with the beaded Morse code translator found in the instructions

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/beadedmorsecode.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/beadedmorsecode.pdf)



### Happy Jar

A gift is given with the intent of brightening someones day, this gift does that time and time again. Every time someone wants to feel the cheer they simply open the jar and read one of the presonalised notes. This craft could also be a great resource to have at any programme.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/happyjar.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/happyjar.pdf)

### Links

Check out the OSCN craft page [oscn.nz/activities](https://oscn.nz/activities) for more ideas

Check our pinterest page [pinterest.nz/jooscn](https://pinterest.nz/jooscn)



### Brown Paper Giftwrap

When it comes to wrapping a gift there is no need to buy unrecyclable wrapping paper, instead try these beautiful natural looking options.

These wrapping ideas take simple brown paper than can be obtained from recycled paper bags or packaging paper and adds small white touches to make them totally unique.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/brownpapergiftwrap.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/brownpapergiftwrap.pdf)



### Contrast Giftwrap

Want a more defined look for your wrapping? Look no further.

Use a bold coloured paper and add some decorative metallic styling and you have another, very unique way to wrap gifts this Christmas

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/contrastgiftwrap.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/contrastgiftwrap.pdf)

### Gift Pouch

Even the smallest gifts need to be wrapped. Why not make some reusable gift pouches to gift them this year.

This little pouch is made of nothing more than felt and cord and can be reused every year. The perfect re-giftable giftwrap.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/giftpouch.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/giftpouch.pdf)



### Read the cards first

Cards are a great way to send personalised messages. These Christmas cards are cute hand made options that are simple and cute. Give them a try or create your own.

Beaded Christmas tree card instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/beadedtreecard.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/beadedtreecard.pdf)

Christmas delivery card instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/christmasdeliverycard.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/christmasdeliverycard.pdf)





### Beaded Stars

These beaded stars will make any tree or space look festive this season.

The pictured example was done with wooden beads giving a natural look, but any beads will work. Why not theme your stars to match your favourite look.

There are only two materials needed for these stars; beads and beading wire. Both easily available at any craft or discount store

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/beadedstars.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/beadedstars.pdf)



### Hanging Trees

Folding paper and cutting out snowflakes is a staple craft at any programme around Christmas. This craft uses the same technique to make the branches of the tree.

Consecutively smaller circles are used to make snowflakes and then threaded onto a string with straws as spacers.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/hangingtrees.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/hangingtrees.pdf)



### Tree Garland

Origami is a really amazing craft that uses basic folding techniques to make interesting creations.

This garland is made up of origami Christmas trees on a string. They may look intricate but they are easy to make for most ages.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/treegarland.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/treegarland.pdf)

### Tree Gnomes

Every Christmas tree really needs a gnome this Christmas. These are really simple to make using faux fur for the beard, felt for the hat and a small pom pom for the nose. Return the magic this festive season with these creatures.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/treegnomes.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/treegnomes.pdf)



### Find the resources

The faux fur used in the gnomes can be very costly from craft stores. If you plan on making many why not buy a faux fur throw or cushion from a discount retailer.



### Marbled Biscuits

Its the icing that makes any biscuit shine. This technique can be used on any cooked biscuits but especially effective on tree shaped cookies.

The icing is made then split into batches that are coloured differently. These are lightly swirled before the cooled biscuit is dipped in to create a magical pattern.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/marbledbiscuits.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/marbledbiscuits.pdf)



### Candy Cane Cookies

What's a Christmas without candy canes? These cookies take the recognised candy cane shape and turns it into a yum peppermint treat.

Once the cookie dough is made it is split into two batches and one is coloured. Then the two are twisted to make these very festive treats.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/candycanecookies.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/candycanecookies.pdf)



### Melted Candy Canes

Candy canes are easily broken and this baking takes advantage of that.

Take broken candy canes and melt them into tasty creations. Using cookie cutters the melted candy forms into a solid Christmas shaped treat.

You can even a string and put them on the tree to replace regular candy canes.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/meltedcandycanes.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/meltedcandycanes.pdf)

### Mini Christmas Pies

Christmas mince pies a yummy but not always enjoyed by all. These pies take the basics of fruit mince pies and replaces the fruit mince with apple.

Easy to make, beautiful to look at and delicious. What more could you want from your baking.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/minichristmaspies.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/minichristmaspies.pdf)



### Need a gift?

All these yummy treats make for nice home made gifts. Put a bunch of them into a recycled clean glass jar, add a ribbon and you have a gift worth giving.