

Do-It-Yourself Gift Ideas

The current economic situation has affected every area of our lives, including our elaborate Christmas budgets. Find creative, sentimental and inexpensive do-it-yourself gift ideas. Sometimes the best gifts cost only a little time.

- **Create a recipe booklet** with a collection of all your favorite homemade recipes that have been passed down for generations. [Click here for instructions.](#)
- **Make homemade Christmas ornaments** that can be used on Christmas trees year after year. [Click here to find different designs and instructions on how to make your own ornaments.](#)
- **Make homemade jam and jelly** and put them in decorative jars for a nice gift. [Click here for holiday recipes.](#)
- **Homemade magnets** are a great gift idea for a teacher, friend, neighbor or a family member and they are so simple to make. [Click here for instructions on how to create your own Christmas magnets.](#)
- **Bake some homemade cookies** and package them in a creative and festive way. [Click here for ideas.](#)
- **Gel candles** are very popular and a great gift idea. [Click here for instructions so you can make your own.](#)
- **Make a Christmas gift basket.** [Click here for ideas for making your own gift baskets on various Christmas themes.](#)
- **Play dough** is a great gift idea for children. You can even make the dough in holiday colors and add Christmas cookie dough cutters for a more festive arrangement. [Click here on recipes for play dough and an instructional video.](#)
- **Gift an 'Herb Garden'.** Grow various herbs like Thyme, Rosemary and Basil in small pots. Place these pots in a long plastic flat-bottomed basket or a clay pot and give it to someone that loves to cook. [Click here for](#)

instructions on how to plant your herb garden.

- **Make a homemade Christmas wreath** that they can hang on their door or as home décor. [Click here](#) for instructions on how to make a traditional Christmas wreath.