

Recycled/Green Gift Wrapping Ideas

- Use bags and wrapping paper from last year.
- Wrap with reused newspaper (comics and foreign language newspapers work well!)
- Wrap with reused brown grocery bags, blueprints, sheet music, maps, wallpaper scraps, bubble wrap, napkins, placemats, graph paper, rice paper, children's drawings, and fabric scraps.
- Decorate wrapping paper with stamps cut from old sponges or cookie cutters, or do easy holiday drawings.
- Ribbons and bows can be made from: pine boughs, pinecones, holly, plastic beaded necklaces (ie Mardi Gras beads), thin scarves/belts/ties from the thrift store, clean shoe laces, raffia grass, and reused bows.
- Reuse tissue paper or replace with used paper or plastic grocery bags or newspaper.
- Sew gift bags from old place mats, miscellaneous material, or sheets/pillowcases.
- Make gift bags from newspaper, shoebox cardboard (for structure) and yarn (for handles).
- Make gift boxes from cereal boxes – See this website:
http://www.ecoartware.com/crafts/crafts_11_02.php
- Make gift tags from last year's holiday cards.

Many items above can be found at your local thrift stores:
Y Thrift Stores, 1000 N. Main St, Blacksburg and 7476 Lee Hwy, Radford
Goodwill, 255 Peppers Ferry Rd NE, Christiansburg

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