

Crafty Christmas gift wrapping ideas

Give your Christmas gifts a personal touch with these simple and inexpensive packaging ideas. The kids can help wrap gifts and will love creating the decorations and tags to attach to them.



Get krazy

Wrapping your gifts in plain kraft paper is the perfect blank canvas for decorating. It looks earthy and natural and there are tons of ways to pretty it up and add your own touch. Collect used cardboard boxes in which to place the gifts and they will be easier to wrap.



Get creative!

Wrap paper doilies, washi tape or jute around the gift once wrapped. Slip dried flowers, colourful leaves, sprigs of rosemary or lavender, pine, or holly into the ribbon or twine to upgrade kraft paper.

Kids can also make their own decorations out of Christmas paper or cards. Stamping, thumb prints or stencilling on the kraft makes for the perfectly personalised gift wrap.

Think outside the box

Get creative by using part of the gift as the wrapping. Braai or oven mitts make the perfect packaging for utensils or wrap your gift in a useful scarf or tea towel. Slip a bottle of good wine into a sock and use the other sock to make a bow.



Jars of joy

Cleaned out glass jars are great for repurposing. Sweets, chocolates or homemade cookies make wonderful gifts in a jar. Tie a ribbon or twine around the top for a festive adornment.



Material world

Fabric wrapped gifts, using recycled textiles as gift wrapping is an alternative zero waste concept. Furoshiki is a Japanese gift wrapping technique using fabric instead of paper. Not only would it be a beautiful addition under your tree this season, but fabric can be reused, making it a greener choice.



Make cards and tags

Making Christmas cards and gift tags with the kids saves money and is tons of fun - a good way to keep them busy on a rainy December day! They can cut out shapes from old Christmas cards or paint their own. Just stock up with lots of glue, glitter, paint and coloured card.

