

Hot Glue Stamps: Hand-Stamped Wrapping Paper

Beginner-friendly, about 1 hour hands-on plus 15-20 minutes drying

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- [ ] 1 empty cereal box (stiff cardboard)
- [ ] Hot glue gun plus 4-6 glue sticks
- [ ] 2-3 acrylic craft paint colors, 2 oz each
- [ ] 1 foam brush or small flat paint brush
- [ ] 1 roll white or kraft wrapping paper (30 sq ft)
- [ ] 8-12 plain kraft or white gift tags
- [ ] Pencil
- [ ] Scissors
- [ ] Scrap paper for test prints
- [ ] Jute twine or ribbon (optional)



Step by Step

- [ ] Cut three 4-inch squares from the cereal box.
- [ ] Sketch one bold, simple shape on each square.
- [ ] Trace every pencil line with a raised bead of hot glue.
- [ ] Let the stamps cool and harden for 5 minutes.
- [ ] Brush a thin coat of paint on the raised glue only.
- [ ] Test on scrap paper, then press straight down.
- [ ] Re-coat the stamp every 2-3 prints.
- [ ] Stamp the paper in a grid, rotating every other row.
- [ ] Leave 2 inches plain at the edges for folding.
- [ ] Stamp the tags and dry flat for 15-20 minutes.
- [ ] Wrap the gift, add twine and tie on a tag.

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