

# Tin Can Vase



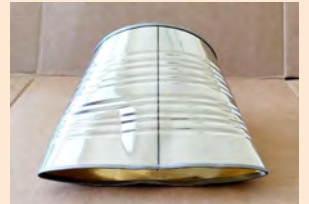
## Supply List:

Tin can	Paint brush	Paint
Napkin	Mod Podge	Hot glue gun & glue sticks
Twine	Scissors	Can Opener
Hammer (optional)		

**Step One:** Remove both top and bottom of the can. Thoroughly clean both inside and outside and remove any glue or labels. **Goo Gone works great!**



**Step Two:** Crush can by gently pressing down on one side of the can's seam bringing one end together, the other remains open. If desired, use a hammer to further seal the edge. Press and hammer on the seam side of the can to avoid any dimpling on the front.



**Step Three:** Paint tin can. This can be done by completely covering the can in a solid coat, or by coarsely painted showing some of the tin - artist's choice! Allow to dry completely. Wash paint brush to use with Mod Podge.

**Step Four:** Separate napkin layers leaving only the image. Trim to desired size. You can use scissors for a clean cut, or gently rip for a more aged appearance.

**Step Five:** Use a thin layer of Mod Podge to adhere the napkin to the tin can with a paintbrush. Once you begin, you will not be able to move the napkin so place carefully before painting. **Tip: Mod Podge can be made by mixing white school glue with water in a 1:1 ratio. Start from the center and brush toward the edges. Be sure to seal all edges. If any bubbling occurs, use your finger to flatten. The Mod Podge will dry clear. Repeat if edges do not feel smooth and sealed.**



**Step Six:** Once your vase is completely dried, cut a length of twine based on how low you'd like your planter to hang. Simply glue the ends (about an inch) on the inner side of the planter with hot glue gun. Where the twine is attached will determine how it lays while hanging, so take some time to hold it in different positions to determine what works best where you'd like to hang it.



**Personalization:** The cocktail napkin and paint combos are endless! Fill with flowers, or seasonal decor! Use as a catch-all or key holder! Hair ties! Jewelry! Pens! Oh my!

# Paper Hyacinth

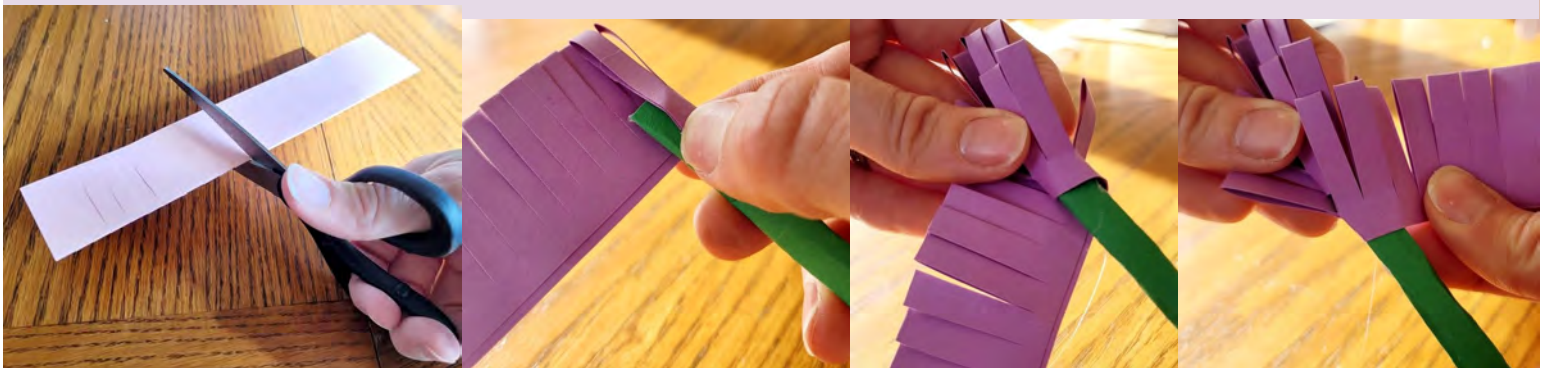
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Colored paper (white, pink, purple)  
Floral wire  
Double-sided tape  
Hot glue gun & glue sticks  
Scissors

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**Step One:** Cut the white, pink and purple paper into 2-3" wide strips lengthwise. Cutting a variation in widths will give your flower grouping some dimension instead of all being the exact same size.

**Step Two:** For each of the purple, white and pink strips, fold them in half lengthwise. These will be your petals. **Tip: it may be helpful to add double-sided tape to the long edge that you folded together.** Starting from one end, begin cutting from the folded side leaving about a centimeter uncut from the open end. To add some realism, have your cuts gradually get larger.



**Step Three:** Wrap and glue one end of a petal strip onto the top of a wire stem, allowing the majority of the petals to extend over the stem. Continue to wrap the and glue the petals, in a slow descending spiral down the stem. Secure the end in place with glue. Repeat with remaining strips of paper on additional wire stems!

**Personalization:** You can experiment with opening some of the petals to see if you prefer an "open" or "closed" look. Using green paper, cut leaves to attach to the stem. Try making other paper flowers or using different kinds of materials. You can also trim the stem lengths based on where you will be displaying them!

