

# 8 Thanksgiving Crafts for the Home



## 8 Thanksgiving Crafts for the Home

Copyright 2013 by Prime Publishing LLC

All rights reserved. No part of this book may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including photocopying, recording, or by any information storage or retrieval system, without written permission from the publisher, except in the case of brief quotations embodied in critical articles and reviews.

Trademarks are property of their respective holders. When used, trademarks are for the benefit of the trademark owner only.

Published by Prime Publishing LLC, 3400 Dundee Road, Northbrook, IL 60062 – [www.primecp.com](http://www.primecp.com)

**AllFreeHolidayCrafts**   
Creations and Celebrations for Every Occasion  
[Free Holiday Craft Projects](#)

**ALLFREECROCHET**   
"Free Crochet Patterns For Happy Hooking"  
[Free Crochet Projects](#)

**ALLFREEKNITTING**   
Free Knitting Patterns For Happy Stitching  
[Free Knitting Projects](#)

**favecrafts**   
[Free Craft Projects](#)

**ALLFREESEWING**   
Free Patterns To Keep You In Stitches

[Free Sewing Projects](#)

**FAVEQUILTS**   
Quilts, Fabric, and More

[Free Quilt Projects](#)

**ALLFREEJEWELRYMAKING**   
Your Go-To Source for DIY Jewelry Inspiration

[Free Jewelry Projects](#)

**ALLFREEKIDSCRAFTS**   
Explore. Imagine. Create.

[Free Kids Crafts](#)

**ALLFREECHRISTMASCRAFTS**   
Create The Christmas Of Your Dreams

[Free Christmas Crafts](#)

**ALLFREECROCHETAFGHANPATTERNS**  
Your #1 Source for Free Crochet Afghan Patterns

[Free Crochet Afghan Patterns](#)

---

Hi Holiday Crafters,

Out of all the different things, people, and places we have to be grateful for this Thanksgiving, creativity is one thing I hold close to my heart. Holidays like Thanksgiving just would not be the same without a few crafty creations! This year, I'm all for using your creativity to strengthen bonds and make lifelong memories with family and friends. Allow your creative skills to unite all of the loved ones that you are thankful for and craft a few decorations to display during the season. I have fond memories creating paper turkeys and fun holiday decor with my family, which is why I am crazy about the kids crafts included in this collection. On top of the crafts you can share with young'uns, *8 Thanksgiving Crafts for the Home* has plenty of ideas meant specifically for adults. Enjoy this holiday season and let your creativity shine!

*The Editors of AllFreeHolidayCrafts*

You can find more summer craft ideas, garden crafts, crafts for the beach and other holiday craft ideas at [www.AllFreeHolidayCrafts.com](http://www.AllFreeHolidayCrafts.com).

Our eBooks, like all of our craft projects, are absolutely FREE to members of our crafting community. Please feel free to share with family and friends and ask them to sign up at our website for our [free e-mail newsletter](#).

***8 Thanksgiving Crafts for the Home***  
**Table of Contents**

**NATURE CHIC PINECONE CHANDELIER . 1**

**THANKSGIVING TWIG CENTERPIECE..... 2**

**CARDBOARD PILGRIMS AND INDIANS... 5**

**CEREAL BOX TURKEY PINS ..... 7**

**FELT TURKEY PLACEMAT ..... 9**

**THANKFUL FOR PUMPKIN ..... 11**

**GIVE THANKS DECORATIVE BOARD ... 12**

**DOLLAR STORE LEAF WREATH ..... 15**

## Nature Chic Pinecone Chandelier

[By: RoseMarie from Home Confetti](#)

If you're inspired by the lovely hues of autumn, you'll love this fun idea for a Thanksgiving decoration. The best part about this Nature Chic Pinecone Chandelier is that you can make it using inexpensive materials. We love pine cone decor because it allows us to be creative and budget-conscious at the same time!



### Materials:

- Twine
- Pinecones
- Faux mums
- Twine wreath
- Glue gun

### Instructions:

- 1) Snip off flowers from their stems, leaving a small nub to glue to the twine.
- 2) Cut four pieces of twine, each 12" long.
- 3) Tie each one around a branch in the wreath.
- 4) Hot glue the flowers and pine cones to the twine. For added security, wrap the twine around the snipped bud.
- 5) Tie the wreath to the chandelier using orange ribbon.

## Thanksgiving Twig Centerpiece

[By: Patrice from Lemon Tree Creations](#)

A Thanksgiving Twig Centerpiece will give your Thanksgiving Day table a rustic and natural feel. Gather some spare branches from your backyard and dress them up with colorful leaves made from your favorite ribbon. Seal them with a coat of Mod Podge to ensure they will not fray and attach them to your branches! It's as simple as placing these finished branches in a lovely vase to finish off this Thanksgiving centerpiece.



### Materials:

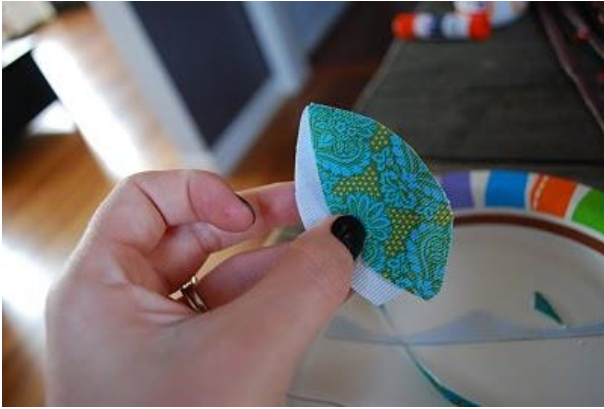
- Branches or twigs
- Floral wire
- 3 types of fallish ribbon
- Mod Podge
- Tall vase
- Paint brush
- Glue stick
- Scissors

### Instructions:

1) Cut your ribbon into 4" strips.



2) Fold in half and cut out a leaf shape, leaving the top edge connected.



3) Use glue to keep the leaves fastened.



4) Cut a step out of floral wire using wire cutters.



5) Use Mod Podge to seal the whole thing and keep the ribbon from fraying at the edges.



6) Using the floral wire stems, attach the leaf to twigs purchased at a local craft store to finish.

For fall crafts, download a  
copy of [9 Fall Crafts and Fall Decorating Ideas](#)





## Cardboard Pilgrims and Indians

[By: Amanda Formaro from Crafts By Amanda](#)

These quick and easy Cardboard Pilgrims and Indians make for a fun thanksgiving craft to put together with the family. This craft idea uses recycled cardboard tubes to make the bodies of these little characters. Use acrylic paint to give them a thankful personality. They make the perfect festive pieces to use as home decor.



### Materials:

- 1 paper towel roll cardboard tube
- 2 small feathers
- Miniature pom poms for noses
- 13-15 yellow miniature pom poms
- 3 red small pom poms
- Acrylic paint: brown, flesh, light brown, white, black and pink
- Back fine tip marker
- Felt: tan, brown, gray, white, black, orange, peach, and green
- Scissors
- Hot glue gun
- White craft glue

### Instructions:

- 1) Cut the paper towel roll into three sections, one for each character.
- 2) Paint the top 1/3 of the cardboard tube with flesh-colored paint of your choosing.
- 3) Use brown paint to add hair around the back and sides of face. Leave enough room to add facial features later. Let dry before continuing.
- 4) Roll up tube in a piece of brown, grey or tan felt. Trim the felt to the height of the roll leaving enough to wrap all the way around it, overlapping slightly.
- 5) Cut the felt strip about 2/3 of the way up for the character's clothes, leaving the remainder for a hat, headband or bonnet.
- 6) Glue the larger piece of felt around the tube for their clothes and the smaller section around the top for their hat, headband or bonnet. Glue seams in the back.
- 7) Cut out buckles to create details for pilgrim's hat and gather feathers to create details for Indian's headband.

8) Glue the hat, bonnet, or headband to your character's head, adding buckles and feathers when needed.

9) Using white felt, cut out the pilgrim collars. Glue around the neckline on top of the brown felt.

10) Cut out pumpkin and stem from orange and green felt, corn from yellow and green felt, and apple basket from brown and red felt. Glue to corresponding characters.

11) Cut out each character's hands from felt and glue to the front of their bodies, overlapping the corn, pumpkin, or apples.

12) Use the handle end of a paint brush dipped in white paint to dot on eyes. Do not add pupils until white are dry.

13) Use a scruffy paint brush or a roughed up cotton swab to add cheeks using pink paint. Dab off excess pink paint before applying cheeks.

14) Glue a miniature pom pom on for the nose and use fine tip black marker to add the mouth and eyebrows.

15) Dot on each character's pupils to finish!



**AllFreeHolidayCrafts**   
*Creations and Celebrations for Every Occasion*

Sign up for the [AllFreeHolidayCrafts.com](http://AllFreeHolidayCrafts.com) free newsletter!

## Cereal Box Turkey Pins

By: [Jodi from It's all Good Mommyhood](#)

It's true that no two Thanksgiving turkey crafts are alike, but these Cereal Box Turkey Pins are an especially original idea! This is a great children's turkey craft to make with kids of any age, and the end result is a bunch of colorful turkeys you can wear for the holiday!



### Materials:

- Googly Eyes
- Adhesive pins
- Empty cereal boxes
- Two different sized caps
- Glue
- Scissors
- Pen for tracing

### Instructions:

- 1) Trace caps onto cereal box.
- 2) Separate large and smaller circles.



3) Snip lines 1/2 way around circle to make feathers.



4) Find a yellow part of the cereal box and snip out triangular beaks.

5) Paste smaller circle on top of the larger one, towards the bottom.

6) Glue on the nose.



7) While glue is setting, trace several more smaller circles, and cut them in half for wings. Set aside pairs of googly eyes.

8) Paste wings in place on sides, underneath smaller circle, away from feathers. Slightly tuck edges under smaller circle to help hold them in place.

9) Glue the Googly Eyes on turkey.

10) Peel adhesive off pin and stick to back of turkeys.

## Felt Turkey Placemat

[By: Vanessa Lynch from Punkin Patterns](#)

Scrambling to get everything ready for Thanksgiving? No sweat, we have the perfect last-minute table decoration for Thanksgiving dinner: the Felt Turkey Placemat! This easy tutorial shows you how to sew an easy turkey craft that's perfect for the kids' table!



### Materials:

- 0.5 yard dark red felt (72" wide)
- 0.5 yard dark brown felt (72" wide)
- 3 9" x 12" pieces of tan felt
- Remnants of black, red, and gold felt
- Coordinating thread
- Turkey Placemat Pattern

### Instructions:

1) Cut out the following pieces:

1. Feathers A: cut one on fold in dark red felt.
2. Feathers B: cut one on fold in dark brown felt.
3. Body: cut one on fold in tan felt.
4. Eyes: cut two in black felt.
5. Beak: cut one in gold felt.
6. Wattle: cut one in red (or dark red) felt .



2) Place feathers A and B together centering B in A so that the bottom straight edges line up.

3) Pin together.

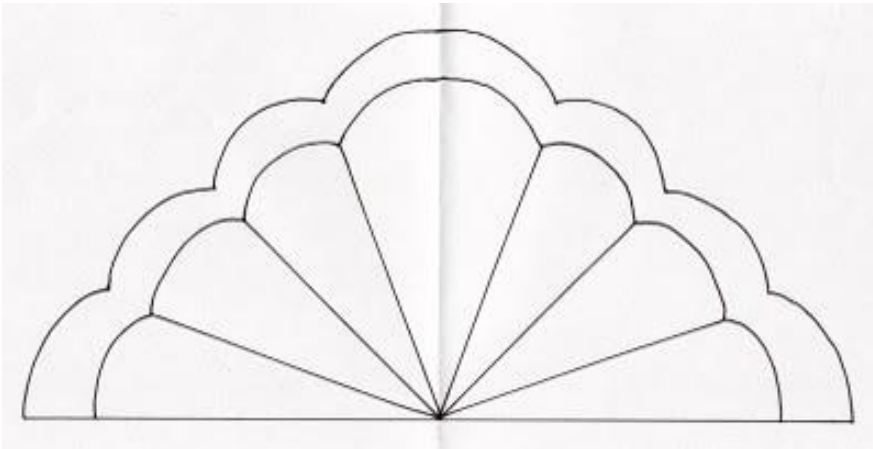
4) Sew from edge of bumps on feathers down to center of turkey leaving pockets in the feathers.

5) Sew along bottom straight edge also. Set aside.



6) Sew beak, wattle and eyes on body.

7) Sew body onto Feathers (A and B) in the center, lining up straight edges on the bottom.



## Thankful for Pumpkin

By: [Alexa Westerfield from The Swell Life](#)

A fun way to get in the holiday spirit this season is by crafting your own Thankful for Pumpkin. This pumpkin is painted in copper pearl paint, giving it a shiny gloss. List each thing you have been thankful for this past year on your own Thankful for Pumpkin and remember how great your year has been. This project is a great way to give thanks in a fun, decorative way.



### Materials:

- Medium or large pumpkin
- Copper Pearl paint
- Thin drafting tape
- Newspaper
- Damp cloth

### Instructions:

- 1) Wipe off any dirty spots of pumpkin with a warm, damp cloth.
- 2) Spiral tape around pumpkin as a guideline for your writing.



- 3) Lay down newspaper, and using your writer, write "I'm thankful for" on your pumpkin. You may need to do it in sections at a time, so as to not smear your paint. Let dry overnight.

## Give Thanks Decorative Board

By: [McKenzie from Girl Loves Glam](#)

There are plenty of reasons to give thanks this year, try showing it with this Give Thanks Decorative Board. This homemade Thanksgiving decoration will help get your household in the mood for the upcoming holiday. This craft brings all the fall leaves inside, mounting a colorful leaf wreath onto a decorated board. It's great to hang or display with an easel and place anywhere.



### Materials:

- Beige, Light Brown, and Nut Brown viny
- Transfer tape
- Silhouette or Cricut Expression using Sure Cuts a Lot 2
- 12 inch Styrofoam wreath
- 12×14 inch board painted dark brown
- Leaf garland
- 12 inch brown satin ribbon
- Hot glue gun
- Light brown fabric

### Instructions:

1) Cut fabric into strips and wrap around your wreath. Put a dot of glue on the wreath every other time you wrap the fabric around.





2) Cut the leaves off of your garland.



3) Glue leaves onto your wreath, overlapping your leaves and mixing up the colors until your wreath is covered.



4) Cut out maple leaves using your Cricut or Silhouette. Cut out your leaves to from the Nut Brown and Light Brown vinyl.

5) Peel off the vinyl and stick it to your brown piece of wood.



6) Wrap ribbon around the top of your wreath and hot glue to the back of your board, allowing your ribbon to hang over the top of the board. Leave 3"-4" on the bottom of the board under your wreath.



7) Cut out the words "give thanks" on the Beige vinyl measuring about 3"×11"

8) Using transfer tape put the words on the bottom of your board and you're done!



## Dollar Store Leaf Wreath

[By: Brenda Newbill from Dollar Store Mom](#)

Greet your Thanksgiving guests with one of the prettiest (and thriftiest!) DIY fall decorations: this beautiful Dollar Store Leaf Wreath! The bright colors and autumnal design will put everyone in a festive mood before the Thanksgiving feast. Making homemade wreaths like this is a surefire way to get the holidays off to a great start! Learn how to make a wreath for Thanksgiving using dollar store supplies by following these easy steps.



### Materials:

- Old pizza board or cardboard cut into circle
- Fall leaves
- Container filler
- Hot glue gun/glue sticks
- Manilla folder or cardstock
- Scrapbook paper
- Electric cutter (optional)

### Instructions:

1) Start by cutting the stems off of the leaves.



2) Glue each leaf down around the outside of the circle. Add layers until the cardboard is covered.



3) Use your Cricut or Silhouette to cut your last name initial out of cardstock and a piece of scrapbook paper that is similar in color to the initial.

*Note:* You can also do this by hand.

4) Use a glue stick to adhere the two “N’s” together.

5) Glue the little cranberries down onto the “N” using hot glue gun.



6) Put hot glue on the back of the “N” and place it onto the wreath.



*8 Thanksgiving Crafts for the Home*  
**AllFreeHolidayCrafts**   
Creations and Celebrations for Every Occasion

**Included in this eBook:**

Thanksgiving table décor

Home décor for Thanksgiving

Kids' crafts for Thanksgiving



Sign up for our [free holiday craft newsletter](#) and receive more summer project ideas, garden craft tutorials, crafting tips, and more – straight to your inbox every week.

**Special Thanks:**

[Alexa Westerfield from The Swell Life](#)

[McKenzie from Girl Loves Glam](#)

[Vanessa Lynch from Punkin Patterns](#)

[Jodi from It's all Good Mommyhood](#)

[Breanna Newbill form Dollar Store Mom](#)

[Patrice from Lemon Tree Creations](#)

[RoseMarie from Home Confetti](#)

[Amanda Formaro from Crafts By Amanda](#)