

Sweet Hostess Gifts



Spice up the homemade hostess gifts with simple felt ribbons and a little holiday cheer. Glass jars filled with homemade scented sugars are tastefully tied with small scraps of wool. The sugars can be delicious in teas, coffees, on pancakes and other tasty treats.



You Will Need:

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- Assorted small glass jars with lids
- Small scrap of wool fabric (or felted wool sweater; see Sweater Scrap Ribbons project for instructions)

Other supplies

- Granulated sugar to fill jars
- Ingredients to scent sugars, such as cinnamon, lemon rinds, cloves or split vanilla beans
- Scissors
- Optional – faux berries (as accents)

Directions:

- 1) Thoroughly wash and dry the jars and lids.
- 2) Pour an initial layer of sugar in the jar, appx. 1" to 2" thick. Add in sprinklings of the chosen scented ingredient. Scented sugar recipes are readily available online for additional inspiration.
- 3) Continue with alternating layers until the jar is filled and tightly close the lid. Most recipes suggest letting the sugar sit in a cool, dry place for at least three days to let the scent and flavors infuse.
- 4) Using the wool fabric (felted wool works best) cut a straight strip appx. $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick, or to the desired thickness proportionate to the jar. At each end of the strip, make tiny snips parallel to the edges, to create the effect of fringe on a scarf.
- 5) Tie scarf around the top edge of the jar and accent with faux berries. Give out to friends and as sweet hostess gifts!

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