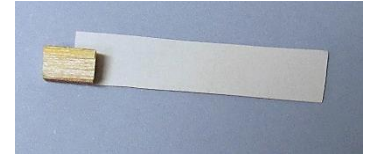


# GIFT BAGS



Supplies needed: scrap wood, glue, very thin wire, embroidery floss or heavy thread, gloss sealer if you want a “shiny” bag, and tissue paper (the gift kind or the Kleenex kind).

Scrap wood serves as the base of the gift bag. The base needs to be around 1/8” tall in order to support the bag, and at least 1/16” shorter than the finished height of the gift bag. The width and length of the wood determine the size of the bag. Most gift bags are rectangular, so just “eyeball” the right size.



If you’re using floss for your handle, run it through a bit of glue to stiffen it. Color your handle or leave it the original color.

Use a graphic below or use your own paper. The graphics are 3/8” tall, more than the average height of a gift bag. (If the graphics were smaller, the design would disappear). Just trim the paper to the height you want, making sure it’s at least 1/16” taller than your wood base. If you want, run a colored pen around the upper and lower edges of the paper.

Glue one end onto the base, flush at the bottom. When it’s dry, continue wrapping/gluing the paper around the base, just overlapping the original end. Create a handle from your wire or floss or thread. Glue it in place against the inner sides of the bag. Wad up a tiny piece of tissue paper and glue it into the bag so no one can peek at the gift!

