

Recycled Magazine Bowls

Old magazines piling up? Recycle them into a fun, funky decorative bowl – its easy (and fun)!



Materials: Magazines, Clear Scotch tape, Exacto knife, Mod Podge

Instructions:

Step 1 – forming the strips

Carefully tear or cut about 20-25 pages out of your magazine(s). You will be folding your magazine pages to make the strips you will use to construct your bowl. Take your page and fold it in half lengthwise to form a crease, and then re-open. Now fold both edges into the center crease. Fold your new outside edges into the center again . . . and then again, one final time. Now refold page in half lengthwise. Using this method, continue to fold all of your pages.

Like This!



although you can use any of them, the more colorful magazine pages you use, the more colorful your bowl will be!

Step 2 – Joining the strips

Now you're going to take your newly folded magazine strips and join them together to make longer strips. Take two strips, lay them end to end and join with clear tape, adding a third strip at the end. Continue to tape strips in groups of three until they are all joined.



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As your coil gets bigger, you may want to lay it on a flat surface to work with it. This will prevent your coil from coming unwound during the

Step 3 – Building your coil

Now take one of your long strips and tightly roll it into a coil, securing the end of the strip to itself with clear tape. Grab another long strip from your pile and tape one end to the coil where the previous strip ended. Tightly wrap this strip around the coil, securing with tape at the end. Continue to tightly wrap and tape strips around bowl, end to end until your coil is the size you want your bowl to be.

Step 4 – Shaping your bowl

You're almost done! Now its time to shape all your hard work into a bowl! You can either gently pull up on the layers of your coil OR you can place your coil over another bowl and gently push down the layers over the bowl until it reaches the desired shape.



Whichever way you do it, be SURE to begin at the center of your coil and work your way out toward the edge, go slowly, gently and evenly . . . or you might end up with this!

want to preserve all your hard work! you can see using an exacto knife.

seal it. I like to use Modge Podge as a sealant, but you could try watered polyurethane. You'll want to give each side 2-3 coats. It will take quite a



Step 5 – sealing your bowl

Now that you're finished, you'll Trim off any little flaps of tape Once that's finished, it is time to down glue or even some while to dry fully.

