

PROGRAM TITLE: Duct Tape Crafts

BRIEF PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Crafting wallets or sandals from Duct Tape. Allow 1 to 1 ½ hours. Suggested maximum of 12 participants.

MATERIALS NEEDED: Lots of duct tape and good sharp scissors. If doing everything in gray only, get one roll of tape per participant. If you want to use colored tape, plan on a couple rolls of each color. Neither project takes more than about 1/5 of a roll of tape, if you want to divide rolls prior to the program. Rulers, string or tape measure, Goo-Gone or other adhesive remover, toothpicks, and permanent markers can also be helpful. For sandals add 8 ½ by 11 inch craft foam sheet for each participant, permanent markers (sharpies) and stickers, stick-on jewels or other embellishments if desired.

COST: \$3-4 per roll of tape

PROGRAM PROCEDURE:

Basic sheet: Cut a piece of duct tape about an inch longer than needed for the project. Lay this piece sticky side up on work surface. Cut a second piece and attach along the long edge, overlapping slightly. Continue to add pieces until sheet is slightly wider than needed. Cut a piece of tape equal to the width of your sheet. Place sticky side down on the sheet, lining up along one edge. Continue to add strips of tape, overlapping slightly, until the first sheet is covered.

For a long, thin sheet, such as for a belt or bookmark, cut a length of tape twice as long as needed. Fold in half with sticky sides together. For even thinner sheets, cut the length needed and fold tape in half lengthwise, or roll for a very narrow rope.

Wallet: Create a sheet approximately 7” by 5”. Fold in half lengthwise. Trim long edges to even. Use tape to seal ends. To add a pocket for cards, etc. cut tape the length of your wallet and fold sticky sides together to create a ‘sheet’ that is half the length of the wallet. Use additional tape to attach the edges in place.

Sandals: Create a sheet slightly longer than your shoe and twice as wide. Trace shoes and cut out. Create a rope approximately 2 feet long. Cut in half. Fold each half in half. Mark space between toes for strap. Attach fold of rope to spot marked. Try on, and mark where straps should meet sides of sole. Attach with more tape. Decorate as desired. For more cushioning, sandwich craft foam in tape when making sheet. Add extra layers of tape if desired.

SOURCE OF PROGRAM: Both the basic wallet and sandal ideas are presented in Got Tape? By Ellie Schiedermayer

USEFUL PLANNING RESOURCES:

The Duck Tape Club: www.ducktapeclub.com

The Duct Tape Guys: www.octanecreative.com/ducttape/howto/

Sean's Duct Tape Page: <http://seanm.ca/duct-tape/>

Anomaly Duct Tape Site: <http://home.san.rr.com/repapyob/ducttape.htm>

3M's Canadian site: www.3m.com/intl/ca/

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