

# Paper Bag Gift Wrapping

Let's make gift-giving extra special this year by wrapping your presents in beautifully decorated paper bags! Not only is this an eco-friendly option, but it's also a fun and creative way to add a personal touch to your holiday gifts. With just a few simple materials, you can turn plain paper bags into stunning, festive packaging that's sure to impress.



## Materials List:

- Plain brown paper bags (any size will do!)
- Stamps or holiday-themed stencils (snowflakes, trees, stars, etc.)
- Paint or ink pads (in festive colors like red, green, gold, or silver)
- Ribbon, twine, or yarn (to tie up your gift in style!)
- Markers, colored pencils, or crayons (for drawing or writing messages)
- Stickers or embellishments (for that extra holiday flair)
- Scissors (to help with cutting ribbons or shapes)
- Hole punch (optional, for threading ribbon or twine)

## Instructions: Let's Get Crafting!

1. **Prepare Your Bag:** Start with a plain brown paper bag and get ready to decorate! Make sure it's unfolded and flat so you have plenty of room to work.
2. **Stamp or Stencil:** Use holiday-themed stamps or stencils with paint or ink pads to decorate your bag. You can stamp snowflakes, stars, Christmas trees, or any other festive shapes. You can also draw your designs by hand!
3. **Add Personal Touches:** Use markers or colored pencils to add a fun message or draw something special, like a wreath or a snowman. Let your creativity shine!
4. **Tie It Up:** After placing your gift inside the bag, fold the top down neatly. Punch a couple of holes at the top of the bag and thread through ribbon, twine, or yarn to tie it up in a beautiful bow.
5. **Finish with Flair:** Add some extra sparkle with stickers, glitter glue, or small embellishments like bells or tiny pinecones.
6. **Gift It with Love:** Your beautifully wrapped paper bag gift is now ready to go! The handmade touch will make the gift even more meaningful.

### Craft Bonus: Add Some Flair!

- **Handmade Gift Tags:** Use leftover paper or cardstock to create your own gift tags. Decorate them with drawings or stamps, and attach them to your bag with twine or ribbon.
- **Pop of Color:** Use colored tissue paper inside the bag to make the gift look extra special. The tissue paper can peek out the top for a fun, festive effect!
- **Custom Handles:** Replace the standard paper bag handles with colorful ribbon or twine for a unique, upgraded look.