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# Daffodil Time

Create stunning card toppers using paper strips

Daffodils are the most positive sign that spring has arrived! Their vivid yellow, white and orange hues are a welcomed ray of sunshine after a long winter. These quilled decorations look lovely at Easter time, making great seasonal gifts for all. Recognised as the national flower for Wales, you could whip these up to celebrate St David's Day on March 1st. Using a simple coiling technique and some handy tools, you'll have a whole bunch of daffodils in no time!

## We used...

- \* Quilling papers: 3mm wide, yellows, orange, green
- \* Card: pink, orange, yellows, greens
- \* Quilling tool
- \* Quilling shape tower, teardrop
- \* Ribbon
- \* Mountboard
- \* Felt pens
- \* Embellishments
- \* Adhesives

## Daffodil Duo

**1** Glue two lengths of yellow paper together. Create a tight coil and glue the end in place. Push the centre of the coil up very slightly to form a small dome. Pinch the shape at both ends to form a petal. Make five more and use a felt pen to add a touch of colour to one point on each petal.

**2** Adhere the six petals to a yellow circle, points inwards. Glue the petals at a slight angle in towards the centre and leave to dry. To create the centre of the daffodil, glue two lengths of paper together and coil tightly for half a length. Continue coiling, angling the paper away from the quilling tool to create a cone.

**3** Glue the end in place and carefully remove the tool. Pinch the top of the cone to give it a wavy edge. Cover with glue and add a small strand of orange paper. Once dry, fix to the centre of the petals.

**4** Cut an egg shape from mountboard and green card,

and matt together. Take 3mm wide green paper and glue around the edge of the egg shape. Repeat to create a thicker border, then make a small hole at the top and thread through ribbon.

**5** Make a smaller daffodil using only one length of paper per petal. Glue the two finished flowers to the egg shape. Make a large leaf using a 40cm length of green paper made into a loose closed coil and pinched flat. Coil smaller leaves using shorter lengths and attach with stalks.



Liz says...

“Forming the cone or trumpet of the daffodil flower requires a steady hand, so take your time”


## Tag Tie!

Just one daffodil looks effective as a hanging decoration if you are short of time, or pop one onto a gift tag for a handmade touch.

## Try Me!

This bright and sunny card has three daffodils in varying shades of yellow paper. The open coils are made from orange paper to keep the design light and airy.

## Gift it!

For a striking Easter card, create a hanging daffodil by wrapping green paper around an oval shape tower. Make the daffodils using the same steps, and fix inside the oval with the petals just touching the edge. Use a round quilling tower to form a circle and attach to the oval. Die-cut a circle aperture in a yellow card blank and suspend the quilled elements. 



Use sugarcraft tools to shape tightly quilled coils – the ball, cone and serrated cone are particularly effective for this



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