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A simple air-dry clay star ornament gift set

Make a gift set of four air-dry clay star ornaments in three sizes. The printable star outlines have the hanging-hole mark in the solid body of each star, below the top inner corners, so the hole is never in a narrow point.

What you need

- Air-dry clay
- Rolling tool and protected craft surface
- Printed star outlines, scissors and a craft knife or clay tool
- Drinking straw or skewer for the hanging hole
- Ribbon, padding for packing and optional paint suited to the clay

Steps

1. Print and cut the outlines

Print page 2 at 100% and check the 1-inch scale square. Cut out the paper stars: one large, two medium and one small. The circle in each star marks the hanging hole.

2. Cut the clay stars

Roll the clay as its label directs, lay each paper star on it and cut around the outline. Make the hole at the marked circle while the clay is soft. Each mark sits in the body of the star with at least 3/16 in of clay around the hole, not in the top point.

3. Dry flat

Keep the stars on a suitable drying surface and follow the maker's drying instructions. Turn only if the product directions permit; do not speed-dry in an oven unless explicitly allowed.

4. Finish and pack the set

Smooth and finish the dry stars with suitable materials; painted designs are optional. Thread ribbon, check each hole and pack the set with padding. Keep the pieces away from candles, food and small children.

Tips

- Follow material and tool instructions. Decorative clay, paper and wire are not food-safe or flame-safe by default; supervise tools and keep small parts away from children and pets.
- The painted leaf and starburst motifs in the illustration are optional examples. Plain white stars on a ribbon make a complete set.
- Original editorial idea; a popular product is not a guarantee of suitability or results.

The printable pages

Page 2 of the PDF: four star outlines in three sizes (about 2.9, 2.4 and 1.9 in wide), each with a hanging-hole circle in the star body, plus a 1-inch scale square.

Before you finish

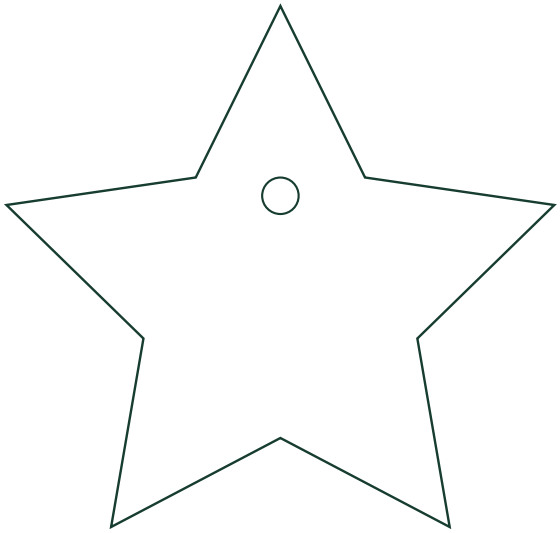
- [ ] The scale square measured 1 inch
- [ ] Holes made at the marks, not in a point
- [ ] Stars dried flat as the clay label directs
- [ ] Each ribbon threaded and the set padded for packing

Original AI editorial illustration depicting a design concept; review manufacturer specifications and product details for final suitability. Exact color, fit, performance and pictured accessories are not established by the image.

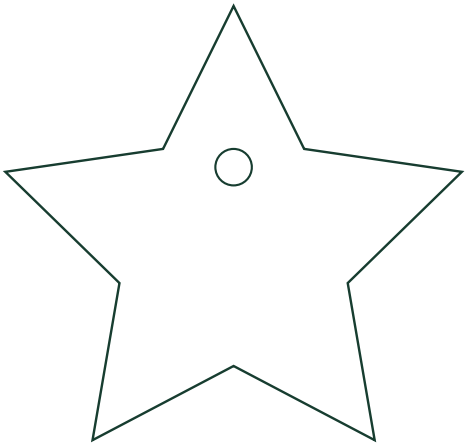
Star ornament outlines

Print at 100% on US Letter and check the 1-inch square. Cut on the solid star outline.
Circle = hanging hole, set in the star body below the top inner corners, not in the point.

1 inch



Large star, 2.9 in wide



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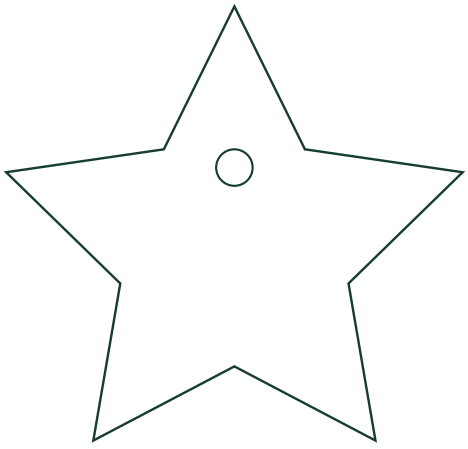

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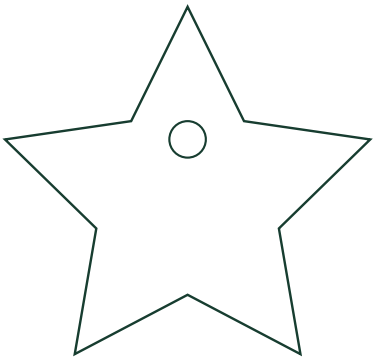

Small star, 1.9 in wide

Four stars in three sizes: one large, two medium, one small. Each hole has at least 3/16 in of clay around it.
Painted designs are optional. Paper templates stay away from food, heat and flames.