



## DIY: EGG CARTON POPPIES



Make these simple upcycled egg carton poppies to show your appreciation for those who have served and continue to serve in our military, as well as their families.

The most important part? Don't forget to give them out! You could consider Anzac Day or Remembrance Day. See our suggestions at the end of this DIY.

<p><b>Makes:</b> 12 poppies</p> <p><b>Hands-on Time:</b> 10 mins (each)</p> <p><b>Total Time:</b> 24 hours *includes paint drying time</p>	<p><b>What You Need</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Egg carton</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scissors</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paint - red, black, yellow</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paint Brush</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 x Pipe Cleaners</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A4 Cardboard - green</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toothpick</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pen</li> </ul>	<p><b>Tips!</b> Adult supervision advised.</p> <p>The trickiest part is cutting the egg cartons into the poppy shape - ask an adult for help. Watch the video <a href="#">here</a></p>
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### Make it!

<p>1. Cut your egg carton into 12 poppies. <i>See tips!</i></p>	<p>2. Paint the outside of your poppies red. Leave to dry.</p>



3. Paint the inside red with a black circle on the inside base. Leave to dry.



4. Poke a hole in the centre base of each poppy with your toothpick.



5. Form the stem by threading a pipe cleaner through the hole inside each poppy.




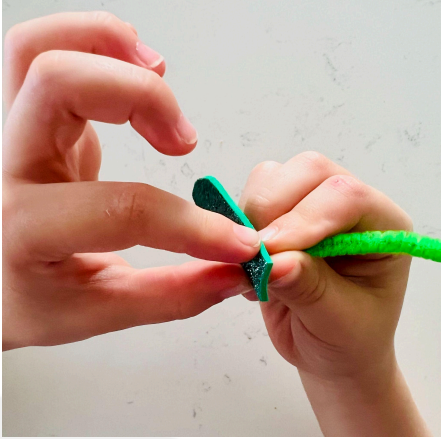

6. Tie a knot in the top of the pipe cleaner and pull the pipe cleaner down so the knot is touching the inside base.



7. (Optional) Cut the green cardboard into a leaf shape.



8. (Optional) Poke a hole in the leaf with your toothpick.

	
<p>9. (Optional) Write a message on your leaf e.g. "Thank you".</p>	<p>10. (Optional) Thread your leaf onto the stem.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Show you care</b></p> <p>Now you've made your beautiful poppies, show your appreciation by giving it to veterans and their families. You might choose to include a short card or tag with a message of appreciation. Your own words mean a lot so write from the heart but if you are stuck, here are a few suggestions: "Thank you for your service." or "Thank you for your service" or "Thank you for helping keep Australia safe".</p>
<p>11. (Optional) Paint the knot yellow. Leave to dry.</p>	

### What's next?

Send us a picture of your poppies and tell us how many you give out and to which organisations so we can keep a tally of the impact of our connected commonkind community. Email us at [home@commonkind.org](mailto:home@commonkind.org)

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