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MATERIALS:

- two toothpaste tubes
- clear shiny tape
- thin ribbon

TOOLS:

- scissors
- ruler





Instructions:

STEP 1: Cut the top and bottom, and cut a slit on the back of your toothpaste tubes so you have two panels that measure about 4 ½" x 3 ½". Clean the inside with soap and water.

STEP 2:

Cut 12 strips that are ½" wide from both panels.



STEP 3:



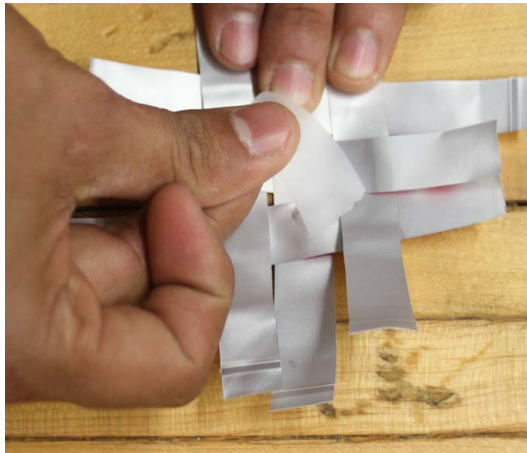
Take a strip and lay it down vertically. Take a second piece and center it on top of the first piece creating a "+" with the two pieces.

STEP 4:

Place two strips and place on either side of the vertical strip, overlapping the perpendicular strip. Then weave two strips into place on either side of the horizontal strip.



STEP 5:



Tighten all of the woven pieces and make sure the weaving is centered. Flip the pieces over and place a piece of tape on the center woven part securing them in place.

STEP 6:

Take two corner strips and bend them towards each other forming a loop. Take a small piece of clear tape to connect the two pieces. Repeat this loop for the three other corners. You will have a four-cornered looped star with four straight pieces coming out of the center.



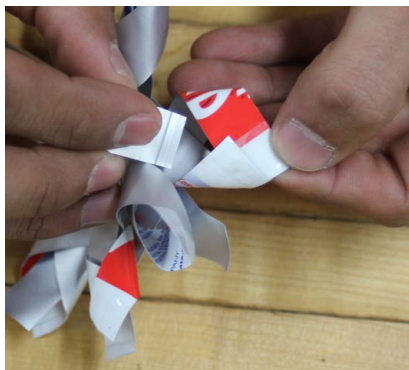


STEP 7:

Set this star aside, and repeat this same shape with the other 6 pieces.

STEP 8:

When the two stars are completed, place them back to back, and insert the straight pieces from one star into the loops of the other star. Repeat on the other side.



STEP 9:

Position the first star piece at the top and insert a piece of ribbon or string to hang your ornament. You're ready to adorn your holidays in upcycled décor!



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