

Easter baskets

4-7 YEARS



STORE CUPBOARD

- Sheet of A3 thin green card
- Scrap of yellow corrugated card
- Scraps of orange, pink & red card
- Small orange & yellow feather
- One googly eye, 1cm diameter
- Tissue paper
- Small daisy punch (optional)
- 7 blue flat-backed gemstones 6mm diameter (optional)
- Double-sided sticky tape
- Tracing paper
- Sticky fixers
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Pencil



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Fill these fun Easter baskets with chocolate eggs and treats and give to someone special.

ALTERNATIVES

■ The Bunny Basket is made in the same way using different coloured card and a white pom-pom for the rabbit's tail.

CHICK BASKET

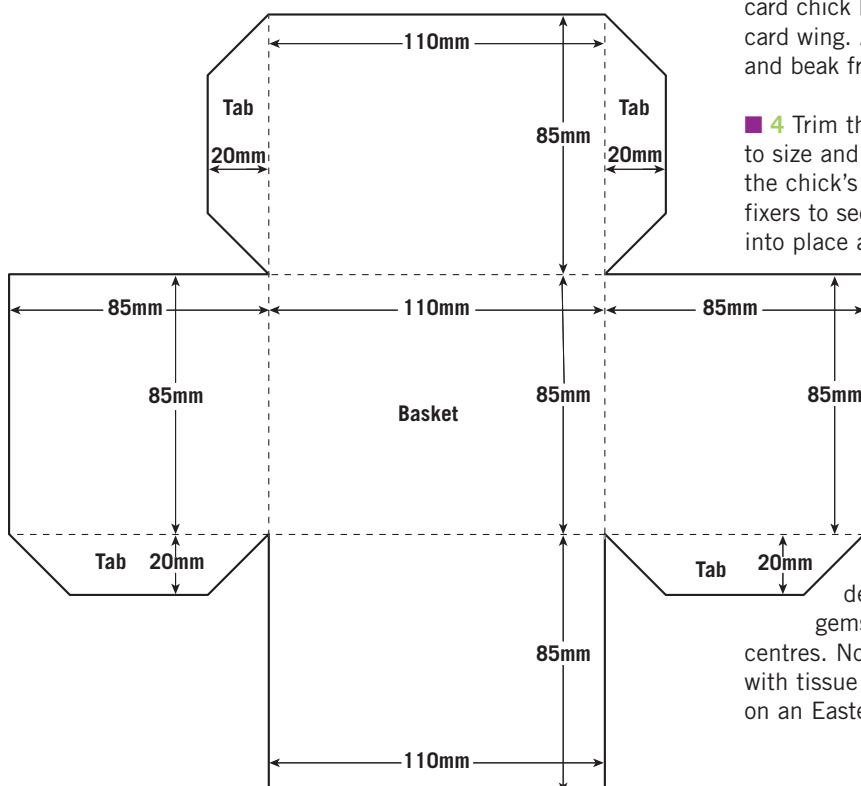
■ 1 Using the diagram below, measure out your basket onto the A3 green card. This will form the box of your basket. Score along the fold lines and use double-sided sticky tape on the tabs to assemble.

■ 2 Cut a strip of green card 29cm x 2cm to use as the handle. Attach double-sided tape to each end and attach to the inside of the basket.

■ 3 Next, trace and cut out the chick templates. You will need one yellow corrugated card chick body and one orange card wing. Also cut out the feet and beak from red card.

■ 4 Trim the feather down to size and glue in place under the chick's body. Use sticky fixers to secure the chick into place and add on the wing, beak and feet. Finally glue on a googly eye.

■ 5 As a finishing touch, punch out seven pink daisies from thin card and glue along the handle to decorate. Use blue gemstones for the flower centres. Now line the basket with tissue paper and use on an Easter egg hunt!



Did you know?

■ The tradition of the Easter basket originates from the ancient catholic custom of bringing food for Easter dinner to Mass to be blessed. This comes from the tradition of taking the first crops and seedlings of spring to church to increase the chance of a good harvest.

■ Eggs have been associated with springtime since the days of the Ancient Greeks.

■ Amazingly, in the UK alone, over 80 million choccie eggs are consumed each year!