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Hosting the family Easter brunch this year and have no idea how to decorate? Follow these easy tips to combine all of your Easter favorites into festive centerpieces.



Wheat Grass and Chocolate Bunnies

Make your centerpiece come alive with real grass and scrumptious chocolate bunnies.

Materials:

Wheat grass block

Clear mylar

Ribbon

River stones

Aqua picks

Flowers (crocus, muscari, scilla)

Chocolate bunnies

Colored eggs

How-To:

- 1. Place clear mylar underneath large block of wheat grass.
- 1. Attach ribbon to the edge of the block with pins.
- 2. Add river stones around the edge of the block.
- 3. Arrange cut flowers in aqua picks around the table runner.
- 4. Add chocolate bunnies and colored eggs until desired effect is reached.

For more ideas, visit www.marthastewart.com.



Flowers and Vegetables

Swap your fruits for flowers in this fresh Easter centerpiece.

Materials:

2 Large vases

2 Small vases

Carrots

Lettuce

Sting or ribbon

Flowers

Decorative bird or bunny

How-To:

- 1. Place the smaller vases inside the larger vases.
- 2. Place carrots between the glass of one set of vases and lettuce between the other set.
- 3. Place flowers in the small vases.
- 4. Wrap string or ribbon around the vases.
- 5. Place the bird or bunny nearby.

For more ideas, visit www.bhg.com.



Peeps and Beans

Your kids will love this centerpiece which is edible after use.

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Peeps

Jelly beans

Tulips or other flowers

Large square vase

Small square vase

Colored eggs (real or plastic)

How-To:

- 1. Place the small vase inside the large vase,
- 2. Fill the space between vases one-third the way with jelly beans.
- 3. Place peeps facing outward between the vases.
- 4. Fill the small vase with tulips.
- 5. Place colored eggs around centerpiece.

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Pastels and Eggs

This centerpiece provides a fun way to display those colored eggs you spent hours on decorating.

Materials:

Pastel-color eggs (real or plastic) or multi-color jelly beans

Pastel flowers (roses, tulips, daisies)

Greenery

Large cylinder vase

How-To:

1. Fill vase with colored eggs or jelly beans.

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2. Arrange flowers and greenery inside vase making sure no two identical flowers are directly next to each other.

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Baby Jar Topiary

This centerpiece requires a little more work, but at the end of Easter Brunch, they can be given away as party favors.

Materials:
Baby jars
Candy (jelly beans, pastel M&M's)
Lollipop sticks
Felt

A drill

Spray paint

Hot glue gun

Scissors

How-To:

- 1. Drill a small whole in the middle of the baby jar lids big enough for the sticks the stick through.
- 2. Spray paint lids.
- 3. While lids are drying, start making flowers.
- 4. Cut out 14 two-inch circles for each flower and one small circle. Fold your circle in half, then fold half of that forward.
- 5. Dab hot glue in the corner to hold it in place.
- 6. Fold the other half backward.
- 7. Dab hot glue in corner to hold in place.
- 8. Repeat five more times.
- 9. Glue five pieces in a circle on the small felt piece.
- 10. Glue the sixth piece in the center.
- 11. Flip over the flower and repeat on the other side.
- 12. Glue the stick to the flower and stick through the lid gluing on the bottom of it.
- 13. Fill the jar with jelly beans.
- 14. Screw the lid with flower on the jar.

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