

Whether they're filled with treasured collectibles, chic décor, or even travel trinkets, you'll be all atwitter once you see these *birdcages* in action!



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## *Double Take*

Birdcages are all the rage, and two are twice as nice! To create your own nature-inspired aviaries, simply fill antique-style birdcages with birdie knickknacks. We used a sweet little ivy-covered birdhouse, a vintage creamer as a topiary holder, a ceramic bird, moss balls and a planter full of hydrangeas.





## *Adorably Antique*

Don't be surprised if a bird actually comes to roost in this small-scale birdcage that's big on style. On the inside you'll find springy moss, looks-like-the-real-deal eggs (we painted the blue ones) and even two tiny nests. Perched atop a little table, this cozy little cage makes a big impact.

## *Caged Collection*

This elegant birdcage was just waiting to be turned into a chic jewelry holder. After filling it with charming trinkets—an ornate mirror, fancy china, pretty ceramics and more—we made a simple jewelry holder out of wooden dowel rods. With a circular base and a finial on top, this uncomplicated piece looks like it came from a fancy boutique.





## Trinkets & Treasures

Need a standout piece for a lonely tabletop? Add personal touches, like a group of treasured collectibles, to the birdcage of your choice. For example, we filled one cage with rustic, globetrotter accessories, and we filled another with a hodgepodge of just-because-we-love-them trinkets. Go with items that speak to you—and you'll definitely have others talking. *Tip: To help minimize the height of a tall birdcage, hang a pendant or other bauble from the top.*





## Hang Time

The early bird catches the worm—the bookworm, that is! And you're sure to catch your little one snuggling up in this cozy book nook when you add frilly details like ruffled trim, velvet ribbon bows and a comfy oversized pillow.

### ^ Sweet Spot

To make this adorable reading spot, cover two foam core circles with strong double-sided adhesive. Then cover sides and top of both circles with fabric. Place one in bottom of birdcage with fabric facing up. Gather and drape the tulle and secure it to the uncovered side of the other foam circle, leaving an opening in the tulle. Secure the tulle circle under the birdcage.



*Sweet Treats* These colorful birdcages don't open, but that didn't stop us from filling them with goodies. First we dropped large gumballs in through the hole in the front. Then we slipped empty treat bags inside, patiently filled the bags within the cage with sweet treats and finally, added cute handmade tags to hide the tops of the bags.



*Quite Bright* These mini birdcages became place-cards-turned-party-favors when we added personalized tags and a tasty cupcake resting on a bed of yummy candies. How sweet is that?



### *Color Me Caged*

We've got just the thing to make your next birthday party a hit—a bright-as-can-be candy bar! Miniature birdcages are ideal containers for an assortment of candies and treats. And a hot pink birdcage adorned with bead garland, mini lights and ribbon makes a so-sweet centerpiece.



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