



Sheet metal?
How about
*chic
metal!*

That's what you'll be saying when you see these 10 creative projects, all featuring our decorative tin sheets. Use it on home accents, picture frames, furniture and more!

a win for tin

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Metal à la Mod

From the lighting to the furniture and all the knickknacks in between, we gave this makeover-ready room an effortlessly chic tin upgrade.

Vases: Wrap pieces of tin around vases, and secure with jewelry wire.

Cabinet: Remove front panels and replace with cut-to-size tin sheets.

TIP:

The edges of the tin may be sharp after cutting, so be sure to sand them down with sandpaper or a sanding block.



Style Squared

In a former life, this was a plain paper maché box. But we dressed it up with decorative paper and “Union Jack” tin. We used the box’s lid as a template for our tin lid. Then we filled the box with potpourri. And you can display your box with the lid on or off—since it has holes, you’ll get tons of scent either way!



Accessories as Art

DIY jewelry organizers are popping up all over the web. So here’s our take on this growing trend. We started by covering a piece of foam core with fabric. Then we placed a sheet of geo-patterned tin over the foam core and put it in a glossy frame... We said goodbye to tangled necklaces and missing earrings forever!

✔ **Boxed Tin** This container is garage-worthy, but only requires a few tools: a bare wooden box, acrylic paint, and tin sheeting in a diamond-tread pattern. Oh yeah—don’t forget the hammer and nails. We simply painted our box black and then hammered a couple nails in each corner (we created the diagonal-cut corners using heavy-duty scissors). Don’t you love the trendy toolbox-inspired look?



» Now You're Chalkin'

We used a large frame as the base of this made-to-order menu board. We simply removed the glass, painted the magnetic tin with chalkboard paint and then customized the board with a chalkboard marker.

Next we glued the tin sheet to the frame backing with E-6000®. You'll never have to hear "What's for dinner?" again! *Tip: To prevent streaking, use chalkboard spray paint rather than brush-on paint.*



« Meet My Metal

Clearing craft room clutter has never looked so good—or been so simple! We made this magnetic organizer by covering a solid metal sheet with double-sided adhesive and pretty fabric. Then we popped the piece into an off-the-shelf scallop frame and backed it with foam core. Then we glued magnets to the back of cute clear-top containers (found in the Scrapbooking Department), added tags and voilà...instant storage.



Enlightinned

Upcyclers, rejoice! Get ready to transform that ugly, outdated light fixture in your hall or entryway in no time. You know which one we're talking about—we all have one...

First, for this trick to work, your fixture must be the panel-kind where the glass slides and sits in metal channels that hold the glass in place. If so, follow these 4 easy steps.

- 1.** Confirm your fixture is in 100% working order.
- 2.** Carefully slide out and remove all the glass panels.
- 3.** Use glass panels as templates to cut your tin sheeting.
- 4.** Carefully slide in tin sheeting panels until they sit in place and you're done. A new look for an old fixture.



« *In Like Tin*

Here's a design-on-a-dime project that's great for home décor, a handmade gift or an afternoon activity. Start by painting a bare wood cross (we've got a variety of shapes and sizes). Then choose a decorative tin sheet (we went with this fun overlapping geo pattern) and mold it to the wood, securing it in a few places with hot glue. And that's all, folks!

» *Metal to the Petal*

Versatile tin sheeting can be formed into any shape you can imagine—even flowers! This 3-D wall art is made of three different tin blooms. We drew the flowers onto metal sheets, cut them out, and curled the ends with round-nose pliers. Then we stacked them and nailed them to a wood plaque. Talk about industrial chic!

A Better Letter Dress up your mantel with a unique double-tin monogram (see cover)! First, cut tin to fit the metal letter and secure it with a few dots of hot glue. Then cut the bird shape from tin, paint it, and attach a magnet. Finish by adding mini lights and any other embellishments you like—a wire heart and a 3-D bird, perhaps?



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