Creativebug Live: Reusable Easter Eggs with Creativebug

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- Hey friends, welcome to Creative Bug. We're coming at you live. I'm Courtney. I'm Stephanie, AKA Twine Chan. And it's finally spring. You might be in a state where there's still snow on the ground, but also cherry blossoms. I feel like I'm seeing that a lot. - Yes. - Yeah, here in the bay area of California, it's mostly cherry blossoms. No snow with snow and I'm definitely ready for spring. And Easter is also almost upon us. So we thought we'd share some of our favorite crafting ideas with sustainability at its core for the upcoming Easter holiday. But if you don't celebrate Easter, you could also maybe adapt these to do a fun, joyful spring basket just to, you know, celebrate the season. - Yeah, why not - Celebrate? Why does a chocolate bunny have to be for Easter? It could be for anything. So we have a few ideas. If you haven't already downloaded the two PDFs, they're on the page for the live. They're also going to be in our patterns and printables library. If you've never checked that out, be sure to. And I'm gonna share with you something from my wheelhouse, which is paper and a little bit of sewing for two different kinds of eggs. And then Steph's gonna bring her really cute crocheted eggs. - Yes, - I love these so much. Show you all the variations. More close up later. I love it. So we'll be going back and forth a little bit because we're live. Feel free to ask questions. Let us know what your spring celebrations and traditions are. Do you have any traditions for this, this holiday, this season, - Like I'm not a big Easter person, but my bestie who I live with, it's like her number one, her number one favorite holiday. Why? So she's all about the basket. Okay. - The basket. - Yeah. So we, we were basket people. - Yeah, I love that. If you don't have like a little kiddo in your life, like even as a child, I was not an Easter fan. I think I had one bad Easter. I remember like laying on the bottom of a slide in a park looking up at this like cloudy sky and having a tummy ache. I think I ate too many treats. Oh no. And ever since then, I've not been an Easter person, but now that I have my own kid, it's more fun. So I'm excited to do, you know, the fluffy basket with all the things in it. - Yes. - But also I'm trying to get rid of the plastic eggs. So that's what, that's what we're here for. To come up with something as an alternative to plastic. - Yes. This is all about reusable Easter eggs. - Yes. - Made out of lots of different - Things. Yeah. Compostable, reusable, heirloom. Even if you spend the time to make it really fancy. And then for stuffing your eggs, you can do anything. I know some people are like anti candy, totally fine. You could put love notes and little sweet tokens. We've got things like markers and you know, temporary tattoos for kiddos and then also some fun sweet treats. Do you have a favorite thing to stuff your eggs with? - Hmm. I don't know. I'm sorry. We're candy people? Candy? I can't get away from the candy yet. Hair clips, stickers. No, no, no, no. No Candy. Candy. A hundred percent candy. Maybe. Does she also, does her bestie also live Halloween? - She does. - Okay. - So maybe it's the candy centric. - You know what actually that she is very into socks which might fit into your eggs. They wouldn't fit into mine. But she always like one talk at a time. Like oh maybe like an Easter themed sock and a chapstick. Like a stinky Chapstick. - Oh yeah, okay. Chapstick. Yeah, that works too. I know, I think these eggs are kind of like roughly the size of my hand. That's how I drew my template. Yours are like a tad - Smaller. I, I don't, not that like gift cards are a big Easter thing, but I wanted to make sure gift card fit in there. I don't Oh cute. Know why my brain thought that. Like if you wanna do like a Christmas egg or like a holiday - Egg. Yeah, like a faberg egg for any season. Sure, - Sure. - Yeah. Okay. I love that. Well let's start with the easiest. I think that's gonna be the paper one. And these

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are more on the compostable side as opposed to the reusable side. I've already printed out my pattern. So steps pattern actually looks pretty similar because it's the larger egg, full egg shape with a top and bottom pocket For the paper version, you're actually not gonna use the pocket. You can set that aside. So you're just gonna use this piece. I've already printed it on card stock and cut it out. So I'm not gonna make you watch that. And then I love tissue paper. So this is where the compostable part comes in. As long as you're not using like a metallic or plastic coated or embedded tissue paper, this will be compostable. Especially if you're gonna use like a watercolor paint to decorate or in this case just markers. I was gonna show you how like even a scribble can become sort of cute. So two markers, these will go into an egg later. These ones are washable so they're a little bit wetter. They might bleed on the tissue. But this is like literally just a scribble. You can play with your pattern, you can make little xes or dashes. You could write out words, which I definitely tried but it was less successful at hop and Easter took me a while to see that. But then I like what is that? But super quick and easy. You can also do watercolor patterns. If you've watched any of my paste paper or gif wrap painting classes, you can use those same techniques. You're only painting one sheet of the tissue paper, but when you go to assemble your egg, you're gonna want at least two sheets on the front and two sheets on the bottom. You want not too many sheets 'cause you wanna be able to tear it open, but they're also really thin and you don't, depending on what you're gonna stuff it with, you don't want it to like bust open on its own. - Have you tried making these with like not a tissue paper, like a wrapping paper or just any other paper around the house? - Yeah, you could do wrapping paper if it's inexpensive gif wrap, that would work for the busting open, tearing open. But that paper tends to crinkle a lot so when you're sewing it and stuffing it, it might not look so nice. - Right. - A crate paper would be really cute. That's a stretchy paper used for you know, paper flower making and anything that's like heavier, like a text weight or a card stock gonna be really hard to tear open. You're gonna have to use scissors. Yeah, so I tissue is my preferred and it's inexpensive and you might, you know, it's a great place to like reuse tissue that's already been gifted 'cause it's gonna get yes you know, just torn open. So I've got all these various kinds of tissue here. So then again, super easy. I wouldn't even worry about like right side and wrong side because you're just gonna sew this and cut it. But you can choose where you're gonna align your template. That's where your pattern is gonna wind up. So let's see. Do a little bit of both. This is maybe not being the most reusable, economical. Let's go a little bit closer to the edge. Whoop and I didn't trace it perfectly, but basically it still looks like an egg. Yeah, you're gonna just cut this out. Put your other, I actually like to use a different color on the back because when you tear it open you get like a little peek of another color. So do one side could be patterned, one side solid but alternating colors. This one's just all solid And then when you cut it out you're gonna have this. So let's move this out of the way so you can see it. So here, scribbled pink, scribbled yellow, two sheets of each and then you're just gonna take this, if you look back at your template and take it to your sewing machine using a cotton thread, that'll be compostable. Don't use a plastic thread 'cause that won't be, and then you're just gonna stitch with an eyeballed sort of quarter inch seam allowance when you get about halfway stuff your egg and then finish up sewing. Now you can leave it like that. What you're gonna wind up with is this cute. So already stuffed. And then stuff you had that really good question about like if you know, could you use gif wrap? This is where like an inexpensive gif wrap because you get some like crinkling would be a little less forgiving. But I think this looks cute with the tissue paper. And if you wanna be extra fancy after you just, you know, trim off your little tails here. Super easy. Take your pinking shears and then any sort of irregular margins you can just trim up. So make sure not to cut through your sewn line. And then I love pinking shears.

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Maybe you're a person that has pinking shears for paper and pinking shares for fabric. I don't know, - They also do different like wavy lines and scalloping things. - Yes. Depending on the scissors. I find some of those really cute like decorative bordered edge scissors. Maybe don't cut that. Well - I get it. You have to be careful. It kind of chooses the paper up a little - Bit. Yeah - But - So if you have a sharp set then yeah you could definitely the pinking shears because they're like, you know steel blades, they seem to always work and then you can, I don't know, recycle that, compost that. And then you've got this super cute little egg. Here's one with the water color. I've got like a little bit of paper Easter grass in here. Some temporary tattoos. A lollipop, that's my kid's favorite. Yeah. So I just love like that little set. These would also be cute for like a little, if you're gonna do an Easter brunch or something, you could do like as a little place card and write someone's name on the front and put it on their place. So that's the paper one. Tell me about these fringy scissors. Okay remember ask us questions land. Do we have any questions so far? Not yet. Okay. Don't forget to ask us questions. So in this spirit of just using everything, you can see here that in cutting an egg you're gonna have a few places where you have extra that's not big enough for an egg. Using your template you can make a smaller egg but it's gonna get hard to stuff under the sewing machine the smaller you go. So instead you can take something small. I'm gonna steal your little bunny here, I'll give it back. - You can have it, it's fine. - You could use some washy tape here or not. And then tie this with some thread. I'm also just gonna twist it so you can get the idea of it. And then have you ever seen these scissors before? - I mean I feel like maybe but only once. And they look monstrous, they look really scary. - These are called infringing scissors. The first pair I bought, I think I was 20 and spent, I dunno like 50 bucks on them because they were super hard to find. Now I feel like you could find them at an office supply as like security receipt shredders. Oh which funny, it's like kind of funny. And then also herb, scissors, like you be in a kitchen supply. So it's the same, I just call them fringing scissors. And then, actually I should have done this before I rolled it probably. But you can go in here depending on how sharp they are and just cut and you get this super cute, very decorative festive fringe. Sounds like a pinata. Yeah. And here is another one I already did. I used some little off cuts from my fabric egg, which I'll show you that after Steph does for crochet one. And here again the tissue and then did the fringing so you could wrap some treats as well. 'cause I think it looks festive, you know - It's cute, - It's not an egg but still super cute. - Yep. - Yeah I love it. Special presentation. I'm all about the packaging. So yeah, super easy. Like quick to do. You could do these day of if you have the capacity for it. But you could also just like go through all your paper, paper stack, do some scribbling while watching a show and assemble these pretty quickly. If you, you know didn't have a sewing machine, you could probably hand sew it. It would take a little bit longer. I think the sewing machine makes it so easy and quick. - Yeah, - Yeah. - I mean I'm really scared of the sewing machine but I feel like I could handle this. - Doable. Yeah, this is manageable. It's easy sewing and any like, you know missteps, you just trim those away. - Nice. What - About crochet? How soon in advance do you have to make these sup? Super cute ones. You have so many cute variations too. We'll - Get there. We'll get there. Sorry, - I'm too excited. As a non crochet, I want to know all the things - Love do, show and tell in the spirit of trying to make this easy and accessible. Like if you know the single crochet stitch, you'll be able to make these. - Oh cool. Okay. It's beginner friendly. This one? - Yeah, you just need to know how to increase. We don't even do decreased stitches. Decreased stitches. We just skip stitches. Okay, so I'm just saying the word stitches a lot right now. So yeah, single crochet done my templates again look very similar to yours. - Yep. - You're gonna start by making a front shape and I'm not gonna crochet on camera, I think that would take too long. But I'll sort of talk you through how to get this shaping. You're gonna start

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at the top of the egg and then increase, then you'll stop increasing and then you'll decrease at the bottom. - Okay. - That's your egg shape for the front piece. And I left a tail and this is for seeming later. I like to see my projects with whip stitch. Okay. And I know some crocheters do not like that at all. You can certainly seam this together any way you like. You can use slip stitch, single crochet, all that seeming will be on the inside. So just pick your favorite. But I leave a tail for the whip stitching later. - And Matt and if they were doing something different would be matching thread obviously or yarn. - Yeah. Oh and this is, is this worsted weight? This is worsted weight. It's my favorite weight. Also if you're a beginner it's really easy to use. Nice. The yarn that I chose is also what I had. So this is all acrylic, which is not necessarily sustainable at all. It's 100% plastic. But I didn't have to go out and buy anything. So if you have horsed weight around the house, just use that. It's like a good - Stash buster. Yeah. So yeah, use what you have. So for all these projects, just use what you have. You need small amounts - And if you don't have, you can seek out something that's like naturally dyed cotton. Something that ostensibly would break down after time. Okay, nice. Yeah. And then for the two back pieces again it's just like the top half, the top half of the egg and the bottom half with just a little bit of overlap to make that pocket. So this matches this and this would match up like this. - So - Cute. Pretty - Easy. So how did you get these cute decorations on - Them? So if you want, you don't have to decorate your egg. I think the plain egg is perfectly adorable. Especially if you make a bunch in different colors. I actually wanted to make a golden egg every time I have like a weird nostalgic childhood thing with golden eggs. - Yeah. Wait, because of like the golden egg book or because of Willy Wonka? I think it's like playing - Video games where a golden egg was part of the quest. Oh that's nerdier. Cool. I love that. It's gotta find our golden egg. But yeah if you want to embellish embellish before you assemblee. Okay. That way you have access to the back of the pieces, you can tie off knots. It's just easier to deal with. And so this is the version that I have here with this little ditzy floral. So cute. And you can see the back is full of knots. I love the back just fine. - It's like fluffy. - No one's gonna see that. So embellish now before assembling and if you don't embellish it doesn't matter right side and wrong side they're the same. But if you do embellish the assembly and right and wrong side is important. So you want to have the right side of your front panel facing up. Okay. And then the right side of the back panel is facing - Down. Okay. Right side together. This is the same for the so egg, which right - Size together later. And then you just match up these pieces and you'll see a overlap in the center. And I like to use quilting clips. You can use a pin. I tried to not pin it all and these shift quite a bit 'cause it's pretty bulky. So I would recommend at least pinning, if not clipping. - Yeah, you don't wanna wind up with like a wonky pocket. Wonky pock. That sounds like a band. - The wonky pockets. Okay, so you have about, I guess that's three rows of overlap. And then I will, I would thread this on a tapestry needle and whip stitch around. - Okay. - And when you hit the three layers, whip stitch through all three layers and you go all the way around. Tie off. And then I have this version. - This is cute. Okay, so we're looking at the wrong - Sides. All the wrong sides. Yeah. And so you can use the pocket to turn your right side out. - Looks like a little sock. - Yeah, - I know. It'll become an egg though. - Oh my goodness. That is so sweet. So I tried to make the front and the back look the same. You do not have to put anything on the back but so this, - But this isn't, you're not crocheting the pattern. You're embroidering this. - Yeah this is just embroidered and then this is surface slip stitch. It does also look like an embroidered chain stitch. They're very similar. So cute. This looks like a berger egg. I love it. So these are like, I keep saying this, these are, they're really fun canvases. Yeah. Like I didn't think I would make this many for this live, but like I could not help myself. Like it'll become like a thing, like you're gonna wanna make tons of them. - I love this. - So you can play with stripes as you crochet. This is two rows of a

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neutral color with one row of a contrasting color. And you can also do like bold stripes like when you dip dye an eggs and maybe like a pink and orange and then a yellow or walk it Rey. Could you do an ombre? I like how these like oh you could use a variated yarn. That would be so cute. That would be cool. Or like a - Speckle. I like how these little peeps of color are coming through. It look makes it look more complicated than stripes. True. - I like that. This is french knot and more surface slip stitch included in the PDF are ears for the bunny. He's super sweet. The features are just French knot. It's really easy to turn a plain egg into a little chicky. Cute with embroidery. Very cute. And then I just did a little floral here. I am not good at embroidery but with such chunky yarn like you can't even, you can't tell. You can't tell. This is actually, - I mean I would say you're pretty good. That looks pretty professional to me. - ERs don't - Look who are these sweet little friends? - This is a pattern that's free on my blog and I also have a YouTube tour tutorial for it. But I discovered they fit to the end. I love it. So - Thought - I would bring them as something to stuff in there but oh my - Goodness. Yeah. What happens when you let's stuff one. Let's see what it looks like. Can you add more things to it? I just, okay. That little guy. - Okay you are Is that we were doing this at the end. Oh we can do it at the end. That's fine. Excited to Hicks. So cute. I would probably wear gloves if I were touching somebody's food. The the unpackaged. Yeah. Candy. And it's cool because these are washable - So, oh nice. Okay. And you don't need to like Velcro it or No, it's pretty - Secure. - What I really wanna know is tell me about this frog. - Okay, cool. Courtney called dibs on the frog already thing I've ever seen the frog is just two front pieces sewn together and I left a gap for the mouth and the little eyes are bobble stitches and I added those after the fact. - Okay. - And actually I teach that technique in my new sweater class. It's a bobble sweater class. So if - You just, if you haven't checked out that class, - Go to the bobble chapter. You can put eyeballs on your things and you just give him little leggings. That is adorable. You can like, you can eat lots of snacks. - He can eat all - The things. I don't know if this will fish. We try. - Yeah, try it. It's so cute. Look you cute when there's stuff sticking out of his mouth. But - Yeah - He's like mp, I ate all your Easter candy so - Oh my goodness. He's going home with Courtney. I love those frogs - So much. He's so cute. Okay and then I mean now that I see the frog I'm like, oh why couldn't you have Halloween eggs Halloween? Why couldn't you have other things? They could be like little monsters. They're so cute. Cute. Okay. I love those. If you know how to crochet, I would recommend doing those ones instead of mine. Yeah, no but if you're not a crocheter like me and I appreciate, I feel like this rug is something that could change me though. We'll see. I know where to go for learning how to crochet. You could also do a sewn egg. And this is something like if you have yarn stash, if you're somebody who loves fabric, you probably have a fabric stash. Before I dive in, does anyone have any questions on the crochet? I, I forgot to leave questions. - It's not a question on crochet, but on the other project a question about is there a special setting on your sewing machine for sewing on tissue paper? - Okay, good question. Someone asked for the paper, the tissue paper eggs that we did earlier. Do you have to use a special stitch or setting on your sewing machine? Maybe but I don't, is that the right answer? I've actually, I love sewing paper. It's something I started doing even in college, maybe even in high school with bookmaking. You do wanna have a few layers of tissue if you don't have enough one, I don't think it would make a sturdy enough egg. And two, I think you would get some tearing and difficulty in sewing. But this is just the stitch I've been making the quilt with. I think it's a pretty small stitch, just a regular stitch, straight stitch. I would not do like a decorative stitch or a zig zag because the tension's not gonna work with the tissue paper. So just a regular straight stitch, don't back stitch, just sew all the way around and then overlap where you started by maybe a half an inch. Remember these are not heirloom, these are to tear open as part of the Easter basket.

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Surprise experience. But good question. So that method that you know the template for the paper but sort the method that Steph described for crochet is exactly the same method that you're gonna use for any sewn fabric eggs. So lemme get my templates out again. So my templates are a little bit bigger but they still consist of the same, the outer egg and then the two pockets. So for this I also have a million pairs of scissors here I'm just using quilting cotton because that's easy. You have scraps if you don't have a stash at home and you just wanna get fat quarters, that works really well. So you'll trace your templates if you wanna be precise you could trace on the back and then cut them out. Honestly I wouldn't worry about it for something like this. And then what you're gonna get is this. And I like the idea of doing one color on the front and a different color on the back. And just like your template shows you, you're gonna eyeball roughly a quarter of an inch just on the pocket pieces. And this is gonna be the hem for the opening. So you could iron this, you can also just finger press with your fingernail or a bone folder or a hair marker. Roll it one more time. So that's one piece. Then you're gonna do the same on the bottom piece. So just finger press I here and then just like the assembly for the crocheted egg, it's always right sides facing. So you're gonna have your outer piece with the fabric pattern facing up. And then actually I want bottom pocket first for me. So right side's facing a line as best you can. And then top a line. And then I would pin this because especially if you finger pressed, you wanna just make sure that these little hems stay in place and then you're just gonna sew all the way around with your quarter inch seam allowance. You could pink that interior edge. But this is not like super fancy French seams. You're not gonna be wearing it. It's just to stuff for your Easter basket. But you don't need to to stuff while you're at the machine, just like Steph showed you on hers. Once it's assembled, you actually can just use the pocket to turn it right side out. So now we are sewn here. You can see it wasn't perfect but that's fine. And then from here you just turn it right side out. You could give it a little press, make sure all your little threads are cut and now that's cute. You can stuff him. - Little sleeping bag. - Yeah, totally. An Easter sleepover. So something like this, you know, you just can have it sticking out and I think that's part of the charm. Not everything has to fit. So same thing like markers and if you want them to be like a little bit more robust, you could put the the Easter grass in there as well to kind of like fluff it up and make it thicker. You could also try to like fully enclose this. I don't even know if these fit in here. Let see, they're really long. I know they might though. This is the struggle I have when I'm changing pillow cases at home because I like the fluffy like down pillow cases and my partner likes the one that's like you're having to shove the pillowcase on. No, but see it works, it's fine. So you can put the markers in there and if you want it to be like a little bit more full, then you can also put the Easter grass as well. Okay. Should we do more stuffing? Thank Yeah, if you wanted to also add embroidery, like really step it up. Oh yeah, you could add names on here or quotes or things like this. But I think it's really, - Monogramming - Is cute. Monogramming is super cute. Especially if you have solids. But like Steph was saying, I mean I think solids work patterns work. It's nice almost with anything that you've got. And of course we coordinated everything 'cause that's what we do. But it doesn't have to be that you know. Perfect. It's more about the experience and just having something that you can wash and reuse and not have to have plastic all the time and they won't break. - Like those - Plastic eggs get crushed. - Yes. And then you're buying more and - Yeah and you can hide these in the garden. They don't have to just go into an Easter basket. Like they don't have to be super precious. Just think about you know, who they're gonna be for. And then again, in the spirit of sustainability and using all your little scraps, I love scraps. Like I will keep, do you do this with yarn? I will keep, I should the tiniest, like literally a postage size stamp. If I love the print of the fabric, which I do, that's why I have a huge statue of fabric, especially if it's liberty

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fabric, I will keep the tiniest thing. And I thought you could make like a cute little bunting with your scraps. So here we've got the pieces that I cut around from the egg and then just looking for roughly one inch strips, maybe one inch by four inches would be about here. This is probably five inches. I wouldn't go shorter than four inches and I wouldn't go longer than six inches. You wind up with these little strips and then using a piece of twine or ribbon, you can make a little bunting just by tying these on. You might wanna start with a loop here so that you can hang your bunting. And this is just fun to make like, you know you can decorate your dollhouse, you can hang it up over an Easter table on a mantle outside in a tree. And it could be a necklace. It could be a necklace. I have a 5-year-old and this is literally the necklace she designed where we just took a piece of a strip of fabric and we using the sewing machine, sewed these like this all the way across and she wore it to school like that Cute. Her own design That mama assisted with just a little bit. So yeah, just a single knot. I mean it's supposed to look charming and handmade. It's not supposed to be super, you know, professional looking. It's supposed to look kind of sweet. So there you can make a cute little bunting with even the smallest scraps. I'm, I always am like sort of compelled to say like, oh you can get your kids involved but in my house we're telling her the Easter bunny is bringing all of this so I have to make sure that she does not see all of this stuff in a secret. Yeah. Or maybe mama helps a little bit, you know, for the Easter decor it's okay. So yeah, I mean pretty simple. Like you know I've seen various kinds of these reusable eggs online and I don't know that I would think like, oh I wanna sit down and make that a priority. But having made them, let me just say they're so easy and so quick. Yeah, we've done the template for you. Honestly that's the hardest part. Trying to draw an egg shape that feels symmetrical. Thank you design team for putting it on too. A perfectly symmetrical little egg. So this is, I mean just so easy to whip up and then just makes a lasting impression, which I love. Yeah, it's very sweet. It's cute. Should we stuff some more? I have a few more eggs I could stuff here. - You do. And I also have a question about the frog. - Questions about the frog. - Wanna talk while you suck? - Sure. - So Anne would like to know how are the legs of the frog crocheted And she's a newbie crocheter. - Okay. They're just slip stitch. So what I did was I decided where I wanted to put his arms and legs and I just joined my yarn in that place. And let's see, what is this like 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. This is maybe six stitches. So I chained seven, skipped one and then slipped stitched back down the chain and tied off here. And I made sure that each slip stitch was worked through two loops of the chain. That's how you get kind of more dimension and it won't be flat. Yeah. It's like it's got some body, - It - Sticks out. Yeah. So that's going through two chains of two loops of the chain and not just one loop of the chain. So - Cute. Super easy. Part of me also wants them toing out a pipe cleaners. You could do that. Like what could I make? Oh yeah. One thing I did not try, which would be like the fourth edition of this would be like using - Felt. Yes because I have that thought too. - I do love using felt. It's easy to embroider on, it's easy to sew. You can do a quick pink shearer around the outside if you want. And it would be cute to make like little felt frogs and you could use pipe cleaners for that if you aren't a crochet or like myself. - Yes, - Yes, yes. But the frog is so cute. I mean I might become a crocheter just for just for frogs. So cute. Okay, what else do I wanna put in my eggs here? I guess the markers are already in there. I also, I think like I got sidewalk chalk, little temporary tattoos. I might want something fuller. There's already a jelly bean. There's a jelly bean hiding in that one. Yeah, from this season we - Promise. What do you have in here? - Little tiny animals. Oh rabbit. That's fun. I think I'm gonna do these little hair clips on. I just put them on a scrap piece fabric so they would kind of stay together. And I love this paper - Grass. I don't wanna rip these. I was gonna rip that. - Oh you can also wait, I have scissors if you wanna cut anything. Okay, okay, okay. Okay. Again, the paper, you can compost this. I mean sometimes the

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plastic stuff is tempting 'cause it's shiny or iridescent, but I just am like you're never gonna reuse it 'cause it's gonna be all over your garden. You don't want your bird friends to eat it. And let's try not to put that kind of stuff in the landfill. So paper grass for the wind, you could also just use tissue paper. You don't even have to use the grass. - I like the idea of putting like seeds in the paper. One you just like open it in the garden and have them scattered. - That's such a great idea. Yeah, a little seed pods. We have a live, I think faith taught on how to make your own seed bombs. - Yes. - You could actually stuff the eggs with seed bombs, - They get a little funky looking. You have an object, like a plastic deer inside. That's where the Easter grass helps. And another question, - Is there a video of doing one of the crochet egg versions for beginners who have never done crochet before? How would you suggest - There is not currently? Yeah. So for someone who's a brand new crochet, or I want to keep saying crochet because of sewist and you wanna attempt the eggs, it is single crochet like Steph said. So it is pretty simple. We have a ton of classes on the site on how to begin crochet, including beginning crochet. Maybe Leanna can drop some links to those classes in the chat. Do you have a specific one in mind? Stuff that could work or just any of our beginning crochet classes. - I mean my daily practice will cover single crochet. It will cover an increase and that's really the only skill that you need to know. Yeah. To make the - Pieces. That's a great point. Yeah. So Steph has a daily practice. Is it, what's it called? Cro? Simpler baby. Yeah, it's a blanket that you wind up making. So you'll learn a bunch of different stitch patterns if you do want to continue on your journey besides making the eggs and come up with a bunch of individual blocks that you'll learn how to put into a blanket. But I mean I love that you designed it with like sort of beginner skills in mind. Single crochet and increases. That's it. That's pretty, you know, first steps. They're so cute. Maybe we'll film one later, who knows? Ask us enough And we just might, yeah. Also got these little, these are called bon bonds I think was this lion brand that makes these Yes, - The lion brand bond bond. - I think this would be so cute to put it in a little egg. If you have an adult who likes fiber arts and wants to play with things. Or even like an older kid. Even my daughter at five, she doesn't know how to knit crochet yet, but she likes these kinds of things to make, you know, she cuts them up and glues them to paper. So - Cute. - These are cute stickers are always good. Temporary tattoos. And again, I think things can like stick out as well. I'm gonna cut this in half. So for you, you're gonna make a basket for your bestie who you live with. Do you have any like food traditions? Do you get with family? I know you have nephews and nieces. - No, it's usually just the two of us. Yeah, I think we had an Easter brunch one year and I tried to make that lamb cake. Yeah, I tried to make a lamb cake. Nobody ate it because it's too cute. I almost made one for today, but then I was afraid again. No one would eat it and so I bought donuts instead. Yeah, I think it's like the moment of cutting, like you're the - Cutting a lamb. - Cutting the lamb. - Yeah. You just have to watch Paul Hollywood cut into a beautiful cake in the final tasting and just, you have to, you know, carn like harness the ruthlessness of that. - Yeah. - So you have to bring your inner Paul Hollywood to the game. - I think about that show a lot because with those molds it can be difficult to know when the cake is done. So mine was also quite stodgy in the middle. - Oh, oops. I know. I feel like my vocabulary for food has increased since watching grape break off. Yeah. I can't wait for it to start September. - Oh, I didn't know that. - That's when it usually starts and I cancel my Netflix until it comes back on and then I get it again. Secrets. I'll learn that from you. I love great British bakeoff. Share your favorite Easter watching habits for us for or spring maybe. - Do you guys do Easter bunny photos or no? - Oh - No. - Oh no. I know when - I was like 20 - Still. Where does one find an Easter bunny to take a photo with? At the mall. At the - Mall. - Oh yeah. I have to say my daughter's five. She does not even have her picture with Santa yet. Oh. Charlie, my dog. Who you may have seen on any one of these

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lives and any one of my classes because he grew up a creative bug has had his photo of with Santa numerous times. Oh my God. But not my les. But no, we haven't done an Easter bunny. Would you say it's like spooky fun, creepy, nostalgic? - I think it's funny. It's funny. It's just like, I - Don't know. Easter - Bunny. Yeah. - I think my daughter would pepper the Easter bunny with questions. I love that. Like where do you live? How do you get everywhere? Where are all your baskets held? Who makes the eggs? Where do they get stuffed? That would be amazing. I'll have to find a prepared Easter bunny. Yeah. Okay. I have all these little things. I'm gonna stuff this one too. - I feel weird. I'm not wearing gloves. So touch the candy right now. - Okay. Just use the package candy though. Or here. I'm gonna put chalk in this. I - Guess I almost brought crayons. - Crayons would be good. - The chocolate. I think insanely markup. All of the yarn. But - I think we're getting to this point though too. Like, so we, I have a brother who has two kids who are like a little bit older than my daughter and a little bit younger. So we're well-rounded in the grandkid realm. And so we usually do an Easter at my family's house like an, you know, an Easter egg hunt baskets also there and like a meal. But then my sister-in-law's family also gets together. So I think it's like amongst us, we end up having like multiple Easters like at home with the various family members. A lot of Easters. It's basically like a spring Christmas. Yeah. Which I know it's too many things maybe. Yeah. Okay. This is cute. A little bit of candy, some toys. Some of these fun little guys. I guess I'll finish - This. I wish we could break open one of your paper eggs, but I feel like you didn't wanna do that. - You can try it. I think what Steph is most excited about, Amanda, if you're watching make stuff, a bunch of these eggs, she can split - Open. Oh, I imagine. I know there's probably not confetti in here and confetti's like a nightmare to clean up, but I just imagine like a, you know, like a pop. That's what I, and then I don't think it's that exciting. Like a super dramatic and that's what I've been like looking at for the last hour. But it's easy, right? It's fun. Easy to tear. Yeah. Yeah, yeah, yeah. That's just for, it's exciting. This might be my favorite one actually. It's just the action of opening. It's fun. - Yeah. About the experience. I like that. Sorry. Oh no, it's totally fine. It's very easy to make more. Yeah. And then yeah, you can compose these. I also just love these. I feel like they're so many sweet like European candies that are cookies and things. Oh wait, those are my wrong. I need the fringing scissors that have this kind of treatment. Like Italian amaretti cookies with the fringe on the edge. I love that. You could just make this yourself. And then here we also have a lot of fun like sewn Easter crafts on the site. I know Annabelle Wrigley has make your own Easter basket. Some Easter ears that are easy with like, is it an old coat hanger and just like strips of fabric. I think I've seen that one. That one's pretty cute. You should check out our patterns and printables because we probably have some coloring pages for this spring. Even if it's not Easter. I feel like there's lots of things too, like on our site that you can adapt. Like I teach this fabric scrap ornament class that we released, you know, a couple holidays ago. - Yeah. - But you could just use any cookie cutter as a template and you can find, you know, bunny shaped cookie cutters or Easter shaped cookie cutters. If you have an Easter tree, you can make ornaments or hang them as a garland. Did you like my mom definitely had a tree in the hallway. She like decorated for every holiday. Did you ever have this? I feel like an Easter tree could be a thing. - Surprisingly. No, we haven't had - An Easter tree. Even though you have so many trees, you don't have an Easter - Tree. Oh, I told you we got rid of a lot of our trees. Too many trees. Out of context. I used to have like five faux Christmas trees because I used to work with a Christmas tree company and at some point you're like, this is just too many, - Too many. Well you had a pink one, right? Tell me all the - Colors. - We got black. Maybe not for Easter, which - Was for Halloween. Yes, it was for Halloween tree. We had two pinks, A purple, a white. I think that's it. That's just five. But I'm kind of going back, - Hanging out in your house. - My green, like I'm, I want the green tree a -

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More traditional for Christmas. - Yeah, - Well you can use that tree in, you know, if it's a faux one in the spring and make an Easter tree. True. I mean the pink tree is perfect for an Easter tree. Okay. I think we're set for this holiday. Yeah, we've done all the things and now it's time to eat the chocolates I think. Yeah. Do we have any final questions? - I don't think so. There's just lots of ideas for what to stuff your eggs with - Nice - And squeaks I thought was a great idea. The little Crayola markers. - Oh, cute. Somebody in the chat suggested the pip squeak markers, which are like a traditional kid marker, but about two thirds of the size. So this would fit very well. It'd be really cute. Cute. And an egg. Yeah, I think this is pretty adorable. And I'm feeling pretty prepared for Easter. A few weeks. Yeah, - You're - Set. So be sure to download the templates so that you can make either your paper, your sew, or your crocheted eggs in time for Easter. Feel free to adapt them to your spring celebrations as you see fit. Check out the other classes on our site because there's a lot of things that you can do to adapt it for the spring season. Yeah, yeah. Thank you for joining us and we'll see you on the next live. See you.

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