

Miscellaneous Cat Enrichment Toys

Asheville Humane Society Plastic Food Puzzle Toys

1. Cut holes in top of plastic container large enough for cat to put it's paws through.
2. Smooth edges of holes with sandpaper or cover with tape.
3. Add food and toys inside and place top on.
4. Can tape closed if needed.



T-Shirt Yarn for Toys

1. Cut off the bottom hem and the top part of the t-shirt just under the armholes to make a square
2. Turn the shirt sideways and fold up from the bottom leaving about 1" at the top.
3. Repeat, making a total of 4 layers



T-Shirt Yarn Continued

4. Cut strips through the 4 layers leaving the top 1" uncut all the way across the shirt.
5. Open up the strips and lay the top of the shirt across your arm or a large plastic bottle.
6. Make a diagonal cut across from the end of the first strip to the end of the second strip, continuing across the shirt, creating a long strip of material (t-shirt yarn).



<http://craftforest.com/t-shirt-yarn-diy-cat-toys/>

T-shirt Yarn Pom Pom's

1. Wrap T-shirt yarn around your hand.
2. Pull off and tightly tie a piece of t-shirt yarn around the middle.
3. Cut the folded ends with scissors.
4. Clean up the edges for a more uniform pom pom if desired.

Can use same process to make pompoms out of yarn



Milk Ring Toys

Supplies:

1. Milk rings
2. Fleece fabric strips or t-shirt yarn:
½-1" wide by 6-9" long
3. Air tight container

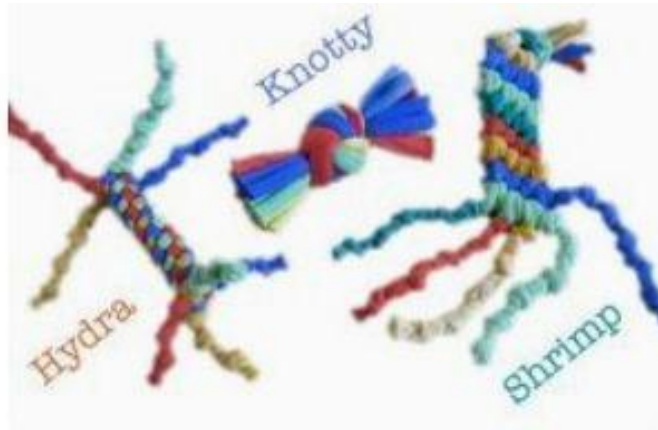
Instructions:

1. Tie strips of fabric in double knots around the milk ring.
2. Marinate by storing in an airtight container with several tablespoons of catnip for 2 weeks.



T-Shirt Yarn Kitty Knots

1. Take two strips of cat yarn each about 4-7 feet long, fold in half together to make a loop and tie a knot.
2. Secure the loop on something while you 'macrame'.
3. Make square knots with the outside strips over the center strips, alternating starting each knot



between left and right sides.

a. Loop left strip over center strips.

b. Lay right strip over top of left strip, then behind the center strips and back up through the loop made by

the left strip.

c. Pull knot up tight to the top and repeat starting on the right side.

4. Once you reach the desired length, double knot the outer two strips to secure.

No-Sew Fleece Catnip Toys

Supplies:

1. Fleece fabric
2. Catnip

Instructions:

1. Lay a 4 x 7-8 inch piece of fabric on the table and sprinkle it with 1 tablespoon of catnip.
2. Roll the fabric up tight lengthwise.
3. Make a knot in the middle.



Alternative:

1. Use a 8x8 inch square piece of fleece
2. Place 1 tbsp of catnip and a crumpled piece of paper in the center.
3. Draw up corners and tie closed with a strip of fabric/t-shirt yarn.



Cat Sparklers

Supplies:

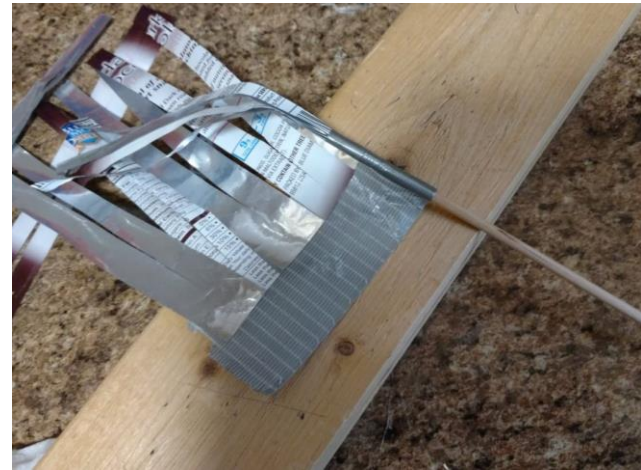
1. Scissors
2. Cat treat or other snack bags made of tin foil like material
3. Duct tape
4. Wooden skewers (sharp tips cut off), homemade newspaper sticks, etc.



Cat Sparklers

Instructions:

1. Cut off all four ends of tin foil like bags, leaving two squares of material.
2. Cut these into approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ -1" strips. Cut down the middle length-wise stopping $\frac{1}{4}$ " before the end.
3. Place a 4" strip on duct tape face up on the table and arrange the split strips on it, alternating face up and face down.
4. Lay one end of the stick at one end of the tape and roll all the way through.



Marinated Wine Cork Toys

1. Place a bunch of wine corks in a container with several tbsp of catnip
2. Shake to distribute the catnip around the corks
3. Let marinate for several weeks
4. Corks can be cleaned and reused



Easter Egg Toys

1. Put noise making items (like temptations treats or hard food!) inside plastic eggs
2. Put catnip inside plastic eggs!
3. Don't have plastic eggs? Fold the ends of toilet paper tubes and hide toys or catnip inside too!



Food Enrichment

Use an egg carton for a quick puzzle feeder for your kitty! You can also use a muffin tin or toilet-paper or paper-towel tubes to create your own!



Feeling extra creative? Create a DIY scratcher out of old cardboard!

