

Terra Cotta Apple

An apple for the teacher takes on a whole new spin when the apple itself becomes a functional, decorative piece.

Supplies

- Terra cotta pot with drain plate - Any size (the plate should be the same size as the opening of the pot)
- Paint
- Black chalkboard paint (available at most craft stores)
- Raffia
- Silk leaves
- Glue gun or tacky glue
- White chalk



Instructions

1. Paint the pot and plate red (or yellow or green) and remember to paint the bottom of the plate, which will be the top of the apple
2. Allow paint to dry
3. Attach a raffia bow and a couple of leaves to the top of the apple (bottom of the plate) with tacky glue or a glue gun
4. Decorate the apple by painting on a "chalkboard" with black chalkboard paint. After it dries, write a message to the teacher on the board with white chalk
5. Place the plate upside down on top of the pot. Glue the lid to the top of the apple and wait for it to dry

Give this or another gift to the teacher on the first day of school as a useful and decorative gift.