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CRAFTS & HOBBIES

Crafting with Feminism: 25 Girl-Powered Projects to Smash the Patriarchy

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The change-the-world spirit of feminism combines with the DIY attitude of craft in this irreverent and inspiring book of projects with a saucy, sarcastic bent. Options include feminist badges of honor, sequined flames on a bra, feminist finger puppets, a planter made out of a high-heeled shoe, a business-card holder made from a girl-band cassette tape, and personalized coats of arms with suggested phrases like "ave regina," or "all hail the queen."

Variations are given for many of the crafts so they can be truly original or reflect the maker's particular feminist heroes, from Ruth Bader Ginsburg to Queen Elizabeth, or favored slogans and passions.

A few projects are rather strange, such as a huggable uterus pillow for crampy days, little dolls made out of tampons, and salt-dough ornaments inspired by vaginas.

This is true DIY territory, with just two projects providing templates. The photos and suggestions offer plenty of inspiration for crafters who don't want or need hand-holding tutorials.

These craft ideas offer lots of fun inspiration for DIY gifts for feisty women, and playlists of movies and music, party themes, and tips to make throwing a feminist craft night a breeze.

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