# Cultivate a Conversation

Make a plant present, and check in with your neighbors!

#### **MATERIALS**

- PDF print outs
- Cardboard
- Twine, yarn, or string (optional)

#### **TOOLS**

- · Scissors
- Hot glue gun (recommended) or Elmer's glue
- · Glue stick or Elmer's glue
- · Pen or pencil

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# Instructions

# HOW TO MAKE THE CACTUS



- 1. Trim out all cactus paddles along the solid line
- 2. Fold each paddle in half along the center dotted line so the artwork is sandwiched in the middle (when folded the piece is completely white)
- 3. Apply a layer of glue stick or Elmer's glue to one white side of the folded cactus paddle.
- 4. Attach the paddle side with glue to another white, folded cactus paddle.
- 5. Continue steps 4-5 until you have glued all cactus paddles together.
- 6. Wrap all glued cactus paddles into a circle and glue the last unglued paddles together
- 7. Now you should have a cactus!
- 8. Trim out the paper pot
- 9. Roll the paper pot rectangle into a circle and glue the ends together with one end overlapping the other
- 10. Cut a cardboard circle the same size as the paper pot
- 11. Use hot glue gun or Elmer's glue to attach the paper pot to the cardboard circle
- 12. Use hot glue gun or Elmer's glue to attach cactus to the bottom of the paper pot
- 13. Cut out flower, use hands to form pointed petals or wrap paper around a pencil or pen to make rounded petals
- 14. Use hot glue to attach the flower to the top of the cactus

#### **HOW TO MAKE THE SNAKE FERN**



- 1. Trim out all leaves on dotted lines
- 2. Curl leaves around a pencil or pen to make more realistic
- 3. Pinch some of the leaf tips to make them extra pointed! Try to make the plant look like your dream plant!
- 4. Trim out the paper pot
- 5. Roll the paper pot rectangle into a circle and glue the ends together with one end overlapping the other
- 6. Cut a cardboard circle the same size as the paper pot
- 7. Use hot glue gun or Elmer's glue to attach the paper pot to the cardboard circle
- 8. Use hot glue gun or Elmer's glue to attach the leaves to the cardboard pot bottom
  - a. Place one dot of hot glue or Elmer's glue on the bottom of a leaf
  - b. Attach the leaf to the cardboard base. Hold leaf upright until glue dries and it can stand alone
  - c. Continue adding the remaining leaves until the pot is full

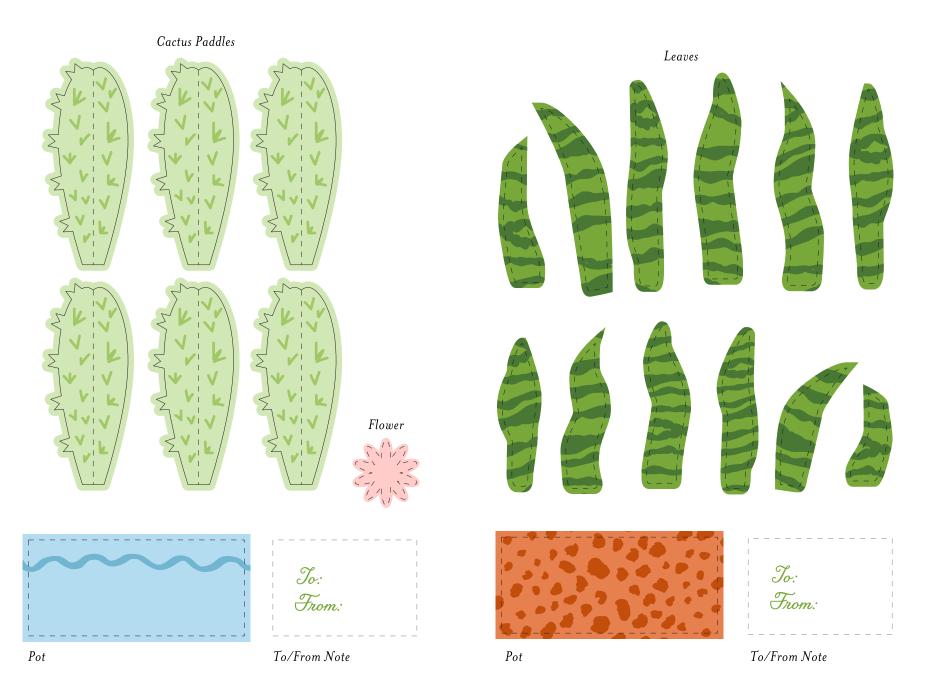
#### HOW TO MAKE THE HANGING TWINE CRADLE

- 1. Find some twine! Or yarn! Or string!
- 2. Cut an 18-20" piece
- 3. Knot the ends together so it makes a loop
- 4. Holding your knot at the top, glue your plant pot bottom to the base of the loop. Then add some dots of glue to the side of your plant pot and attach the string/yarn/twine to those dots. Hold until dry
- 5. That's it!

Optional step: Use a pen or pencil to punch a hole in the To/From Note and thread it on string before tying the knot.

### **CACTUS TEMPLATE**

## **SNAKE FERN TEMPLATE**



#### **NOTECARDS**

