

PICTURE FRAME TRAY
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Make a fabulous tray for the bathroom or the kitchen using items you find at my favorite places: GARAGE SALES!! YIPPEE!! Next time you're at a sale pick up an old picture frame and create this wonderful masterpiece! It's easy, fast and very inexpensive. So, let's get started!

Supplies:

- 1/Picture frame, any size from a garage sale or maybe you have one lying around your house you've just been dying to use! Pull it out of that box and put it to good use.
- 2/Tiles, depending on how big the frame is you might need just one or two 12" square tiles Or several smaller ones..6" or 3" ..broken tiles can be used, too.
- 3/Get a good solid wood backing from a hardware store and cut it to fit the back of frame (something strong enough to hold the weight of the grout and tile).
- 4/Premixed grout, small container
- 5/Paint
- 6/Brushes, sponges, rags, tape measure
- 7/Nails, hammer
- 8/Handles (drawer pulls) optional.

Directions:

- 1/Measure the opening of your frame to determine which tiles to use. If you have an odd shaped frame feel free to simply use broken tiles, broken plates, pots..etc.
- 2/Using a saw, cut the wood you'll use to cover the "entire" back of the frame and hold the tiles in place.
- 3/Place frame over wood to determine where tiles where they'll go. Remove the frame.
- 4/Glue the tiles down using your premixed grout, let dry
- 5/Fill in all spaces with the grout, let dry over night
- 6/Place frame over board and tiles, secure with small nails. Hammering them on the edges of the frame from underneath
- 7/Paint frame, if desired. Sometimes old wood can look just as pretty, if not better, than painting it. Or paint it a cream color, let it dry. Then using sand paper..sand a bit of the paint off which will give it a bit of a shabby chic look.
- 8/Secure drawer pulls on each end (this is optional but it can add a lot to it) using the screws that come with the pull.

Congratulations! You've done it! Now, you can use your tray for just about anything. Put it in your bathroom as a vanity tray. Use it to hold kitchen items..coffee maker, oils, flour and sugar containers--anything!

Email the GARAGE SALE GAL if you have any questions or if

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