

Silver Clay Keepsakes: Family-Friendly Projects

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Anyone can make great silver keepsakes using metal clay, a material perfect for producing lovely results. From understanding fire options and choosing from 24 keepsake-oriented projects such as painted piggy banks or personalized mugs, every step is in full color and packed with key details perfect for crafter's libraries.

Making jewelry is fun and satisfying, and one needn't be a silversmith to create great pieces. *Silver Clay Keepsakes* shows crafters and DIYers how to replicate the look of fine silver through a method that's far easier to master than traditional metalwork and that uses a material that's both easier to obtain and easier on the wallet. The book's 24 projects celebrate the spirit of life: a silver baby spoon, a silver-painted piggy bank, personalized cake-serving utensils, cufflinks and money clips, a fashionable take on the dog tag, a Celtic knot pendant, a birthstone bracelet, and other elegant, meaningful tokens for new parents, grandparents, teens, graduates, newlyweds, and even the family pet. Illustrated with 400 easy-to-follow color instructions, the book covers the basics of working with metal clay, along with info on necessary tools, firing and drying schedules, torch and stove-top firing, online resources, and much more.

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