

Easter Candy Holders (Huggers)

The Candy Holders are made up of 3 pieces, a front, a back, and the bottom made from card stock. There are SVG files for different characters holding different types of candies. First we will do general instructions for making the Holders. While it is WAY easier to load these files into a Digital Cut machine (Cricut, Silhouette, Brother, etc.), they can be printed on card stock and cut by hand. If you ARE making these on your Digital machine see below for more detailed instructions that are machine cut specific.

Materials:

Card Stock

Scissors and/or X-acto knife or Craft knife/Digital Cutting Machine

Palmer egg shaped candies/carrot shaped candies/Cadbury Eggs

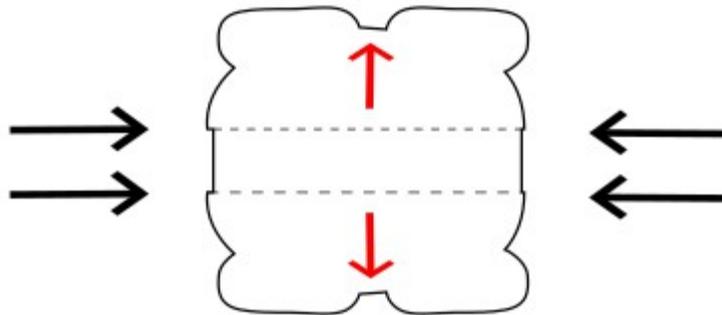
(I have found the Palmer candies at both Dollar Tree and Family Dollar.)

Fast drying glue

Scotch tape

As stated the Candy holders CAN be made by without a machine. If you are doing so print and cut all three pieces out on card stock. You can cut the outside edge with scissors, but it is easier to cut the center shape out with an X-acto knife (or craft knife).

The bottom piece is what makes the holder stand up. All bottom pieces have 2 notches on each side to show where you need to make 2 folds. If you are having trouble making the fold, you can run a score line. (Use a straight edge and on a soft surface run the back side of a butter knife along the edge. This will help create a nice clean fold.)



Black arrows indicate where to fold. Red arrows indicate direction to fold.

The section with the red arrows is where the glue will be applied.

The bottom pieces align with the bottom (feet) of the front and back pieces. Before putting glue on the bottom piece, check to see which side of the fold matches with the back side of the front and back pieces. Once you know which side aligns with the front side, place glue from the fold down and glue to the back side of the front piece. Repeat for the back piece.

Center shaped candy over hole. A piece of Scotch tape over the back side (inside over the back side of the piece of candy) helps hold it in place. ***The tape is NOT needed for Cadbury Eggs candies.

Put some glue on the top of the back side (For bunny and bear glue ears and top of head, for lamb glue top of head and along the back. Line up back with front and push together.

Digital Machine Users:

The SVGs have a dotted line that is the score line for the bottom piece. If your machine has score capabilities make sure that you convert them to score lines. As I am a Maker user this is how I do it in Cricut Design Space:

(Design Space instructions)

When you upload the SVGs they come in as Grouped. Ungroup the image and select both the score lines. Under OPERATIONS Switch Basic Cut to Score. While they are still selected, select the Bottom shape (all three should be highlighted) select ATTACH. You are now ready to cut your character. (If you are using a Scoring Pen as opposed to the Scoring Wheel make sure you change the tool!)

I truly hate tiny little pieces that are easily lost, may get damaged removing from the mat, and are just a pain to get in the right location. So when I can, I cut them out of the larger piece and cut a backer piece to make life easier!

Lamb

The eyes, nose and mouth are all cut from the body shape. There is a Black circle that is glued to the back side of the face. If you choose to not do your face in black, cut the circle whatever color you want your eyes nose and mouth.

Bunny

As I was making my bunnies white, I just cut the gleam for the eye and the teeth out of the black and the white is underneath. If you are making your bunny another color cut pieces smaller than the eyes and mouth out of white and then glue it to the back of those pieces before attaching to your body piece.

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