



Suffrage Centennial table decorations/favors

These small flower pot decorations are easy to make and are inexpensive.

Materials

2" clay pots (Amazon: \$32.99 / 72 Pcs Small Mini Clay Pots)
(The same design can be used for larger pots, if you prefer, say for a centerpiece.)

Acrylic paint and small sponge brush (use **DecoArt Metallic Purple Pearl and Splendid Gold**, available at Michael's or other craft stores; the finish is satiny and gives an antique look)

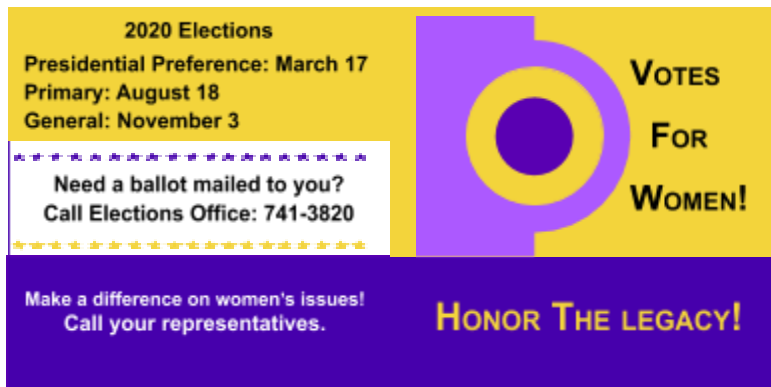
Natural Wood Packing (Amazon: \$13.99 / [3/4 Lbs. Aspen All Natural Wood Excelsior Packing](#))

Purple flowers (Amazon hydrangea garlands worked well: \$8.99/2 garlands)
[huianer 2 pcs 6.5 FT Artificial Hydrangea Flower Vine, Wisteria Vines Flowers Plants for Home Hotel Office Wedding Party Garden Craft Art Decor\(Dark Purple\)](#)

Craft glue and rubber cement glue

6" skewers (Amazon: \$4 / 100 bamboo skewers)

Printed 2 x 4" Flag, folded in half (Office Depot with AAUW discount: \$0.31 each page of 10)



Optional:

Gold doilies (Amazon: \$7.38 / 2 of [Paper Doilies 100/pk Round Gold](#))

Gold scatter stones (Amazon: \$25.99/ [CYS EXCEL GGM001GD-5BAG Vase Filler Gem Glass Confetti, Table Scatters \(Gem Stone Gold\), Penny Size, Small Size](#))

Directions

Paint the base of the pot in purple and the top rim and an inch or so inside the pot with gold so that the red clay does not show. When dry, cut a small wad of packing grass and lightly roll it in your palm, then place it inside the pot, spreading it out if needed.

Have the flags printed on slightly heavier weight paper than plain copy paper and cut each design out using a cutter (scissors work too, but aren't as precise). (Alternatively, you can have the flag design printed on 2 x4" shipping labels (Avery 5163/8163), but we found that it was harder to manipulate and less forgiving of errors.) Fold the flags in half, carefully lining up the ends. Then put craft glue down the creased center and the inside ends of the flag. Place the skewer, pointy side down, in the center of the paper, line up the ends, and close the two sides together, pressing the center around the stick so that it doesn't fall out.

Cut the flowers off the garland using about 3 to 4 blossoms per flag. Put a dab of rubber cement on the bottom of the flower stem and insert it in the pot to hold it in place. Also put a little rubber cement on the bottom of the flag skewer and insert it into the grass packing so that it stands up straight.

If you like, place a gold doily under each pot around a center vase of flowers on a mirror and finish the look with the gold scatter stones. If you don't want to keep the pots for another event, offer them to the guests as a favor to take home with them.