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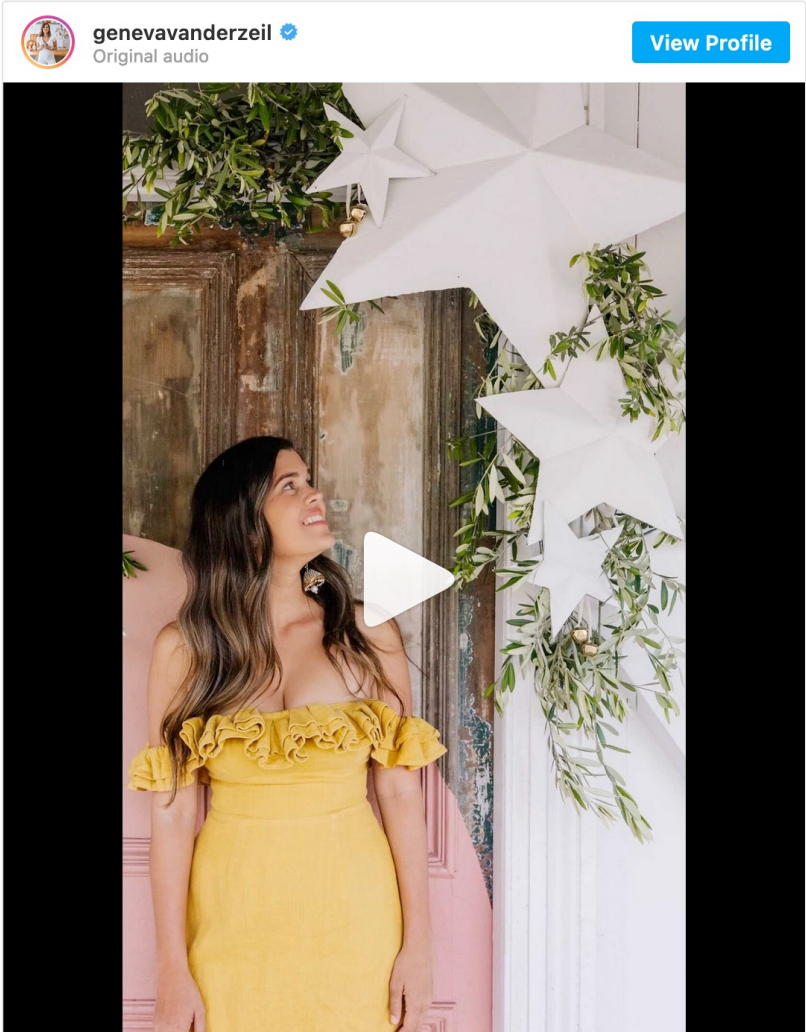
## 5 DIY Christmas decoration ideas from Instagram

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As 2022 draws to a close, one key takeaway is that upcycling is big news. Not only will DIY Christmas decorations add a touch of personality to your festive decor, they will also save you money and offer a fun activity for all the family. From foraged wreaths to cardboard stars to citrus garlands, Good Homes magazine picks out five ideas from Instagram to help you DIY your way into the Christmas spirit...

### 1. Cardboard stars

With over 380, 000 followers on Instagram, master upcycler **Geneva Vanderzeil** has some brilliant creative ideas up her sleeve for DIY Christmas decorations. First up are her gorgeous cardboard stars. All you'll need is leftover cardboard (cereal boxes are fine), scissors, Geneva's **half star template**, tape and a ruler, then follow her easy **step-by-step guide** to recreate the look.



2. Citrus garlands

These fragrant citrus garlands will fill your home with festive scents and add a cheerful vibrant hue to your decor. Start by drying out a batch of thinly sliced oranges on a sheet of parchment paper, like Erica Chan Coffman at **Honestly WTF** and bake them at 175°C in the oven for around 4-5 hours. The key to keeping the colour is to dry them slowly for longer, so as not to burn them. Erica has strung hers with wooden beads, green tassels and bay leaves and they look perfect.



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3. Nature-inspired ornaments

Use your wintry walks to inspire you for these cute nature inspired baubles by **@kimmyandbear**. These sweet little acorns have been painted in red and white to look like toadstools and would look great hanging on the Christmas tree or a twig tree, like this one from **Dunelm**. Pine cones sprayed white, become snowmen and fir tree branches entwined together become gorgeous snowflakes.



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#### 4. Foraged wreaths

Down on the beautiful rugged North Cornwall coast, **Latitude 50** offers impeccably decorated self-catering accommodation across Rock, Daymer Bay, Polzeath and Port Isaac. They also know a thing or two about hand foraged decor and creating the cosiest of Christmassy environments. Get the look and follow their **step-by-step guide** by **Elle Winsor Grime** from The Artful Events Company to crafting your own handmade wreath.

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#### 5. Swedish Christmas flowers

This chic Swedish Christmas flower decoration is made from the unlikely material of... toilet rolls. All you'll need is three toilet rolls, a ruler, pencil, scissors, a glue gun and string. Then follow the crafty Niki from My Scandinavian Home in her **step-by-step guide** to julpyssla (Christmas crafting in Swedish.).

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