

# DIY

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## Outdoor Summer Décor with Shannon Quimby

### CURTAIN PICNIC BLANKET

#### Materials:

- Drop cloth
- Curtain with pattern (rod pocket style)
- 2" painters tape
- Scissors
- Fabric spray paint (recommend the brand Tulip Color Shot)

#### How to:

1. Lay curtain flat on top of a drop cloth.
2. With Painters tape, mask off all areas of curtain that you don't want to spray paint. Remember to press firmly down all the tape's edges onto the fabric to prevent paint from seeping under the tape.
3. With fabric spray paint, spray selected areas that have been masked off.
4. Before paint dries, remove all of the tape
5. Let dry for 24 hrs.



## TASSLES

### Materials:

- 2 colors of yarn
- Scissors
- A thick piece of cardboard or a hard cover book

### How to:

1. Wrap yarn around the book until you have created the level of thickness you want. The thicker the yarn, the smaller number of times you'll need to wrap around the book/cardboard.
2. Cut a smaller piece of yarn, around 12" to 18" long and slip one end between the book/cardboard and the yarn that is wrapped around the book/cardboard.
3. Gather each end of the short piece of yarn you and tie a knot around the center of the wrapped yarn. Make sure to pull as tight as you can for your knot.
4. Slip the yarn off the book/cardboard.
5. Hold onto the top strings of the tied knot and cut through the bottom loop to create the tassel.
6. Again, hold the top strings in one hand and with other hand grab tightly around all of the yarn strands.
7. Lay another piece of yarn approximately 12" long over the top of the gathered strands then drape a loop about two inches down and then back up one inch from the top.
8. Wrap the rest of the yarn several times around all the yarn.
9. Loop the end of the strand through the loop and then pull the upper portion of the yarn that has been draped over the top. This will pull the bottom strand under the wrapped yarn and create and hide a knot.
10. Cut off excess ends.
11. Trim the bottom of the tassel to make sure it is even.

