

# Holiday Scent

~Julie Lewis

- \*A handful of cloves (about ¼ cup)
- \*4 bay leaves
- \*2 long cinnamon sticks
- \*1 orange
- \*1 lemon
- \*1 lime
- \*1 large, clear party favor bag
- \*Raffia or ribbon
- \*Fall or Christmas paper cut into two 3 inch by 3 inch squares
- \*Instructions to boil potpourri

**Directions:** Put a handful of cloves into the clear party bag. Carefully place the orange, lemon, and lime in the bag on top of the cloves. Add the 4 bay leaves, and then the cinnamon sticks. Tie up the bag with the twist ties that come with them, and then tie raffia or ribbon around that. Cut your fall or Christmas scrapbook paper into 3-inch by 3-inch squares, and glue them together so that there is a print on the front and back of the square. Print off the directions for boiling the potpourri and the verse, 2 Corinthians 2: 14-15, “ Thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ...” Glue the directions to one side of the square, and glue the verse to the other side of the square. Tie it onto your ribbon or raffia, and it is ready to give!

**About the ingredients:** It is best to buy these things in bulk and make a few bags at a time. You can buy a bag of dried cloves at CAO NGUYEN Asian food market (2668 N. Military Ave.) in Oklahoma City. Buy a large container of bay leaves at Sam’s along with a bag of oranges, a bag of lemons, and a bag of limes. One bag of each fruit makes approximately 8 to 10 scent bags. You can get cinnamon sticks at Hobby Lobby or Wal-Mart, and buy the clear party favor bags at a party store.