# DIY Allen Key Candy Cane Ornament



## **INSTRUCTIONS**



#### Step 1: Preparation

- 1. Clean the Allen key thoroughly
- 2. Dry completely with a clean cloth
- 3. Optional: Lightly sand surface for better paint adhesion

#### Step 2: Painting

- 1. Apply white base coat evenly
- 2. Allow to dry completely (approximately 5 minutes)
- 3. Optional: Create diagonal stripes with painter's tape
- 4. Paint red stripes carefully
- 5. If using painter's tape, remove while paint is still wet

#### Step 3: Finishing

- 1. Allow paint to dry completely (10-15 minutes)
- 2. Cut ribbon to 6-8 inches
- 3. Tie ribbon for hanging
- 4. Optional: Apply clear protective sealant

#### MATERIALS LIST

1/4" Long Arm Allen Key

White acrylic paint

Red acrylic paint

Ribbon (1/4 inch width)

Fine-grit sandpaper (optional)

Painter's tape (optional)

Clear protective sealant (optional)

### **TIPS AND TRICKS**

- For the cleanest stripes, use thin masking tape. Remove tape while paint is still slightly wet to prevent peeling
- Ensure even paint coverage for best results
- Paint the entire allen key white before applying your red paint.
- -We recommend laying down newspaper or some other material to protect the surface you are working on.