Cheapskates Journal's Guide: How to Make Chocolate Spoons

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If you like to give gifts to adults, but want to be frugal and give something different, try these chocolate spoons.

Buy a packet of plastic tea spoons (\$2 for 50 from the two dollar shops) and a 250g block of milk or dark chocolate. You can add flavourings if you like (orange, strawberry, almond, mint are all really nice and can be bought where you pick up chocolate making supplies).

Melt the chocolate, add any flavourings if you are going to use them, and then just dip the bowl of the spoon into the chocolate. Hold it up so that the chocolate drips off, leaving a layer on the bowl of the spoon. Lay them on a foil lined tray and refrigerate to set.

Once the chocolate has set, gather them into bundles of six, pop them into a cellophane or paper bag with the handles sticking out and tie closed with a pretty ribbon.

They are really nice to use when you have a cup of coffee - they will flavour the coffee while you stir.

Total cost approximately \$6 for 40 spoons - 15 cents per spoon!