

Botanic leaf lanterns



These leafy tea light holders with gold highlights will make your home feel snug, even when it's cold outside.

And they're really easy to make from FIMO soft. They'll look beautiful on a table or a windowsill and create a warm, cosy atmosphere.



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Step-by-Step tutorial

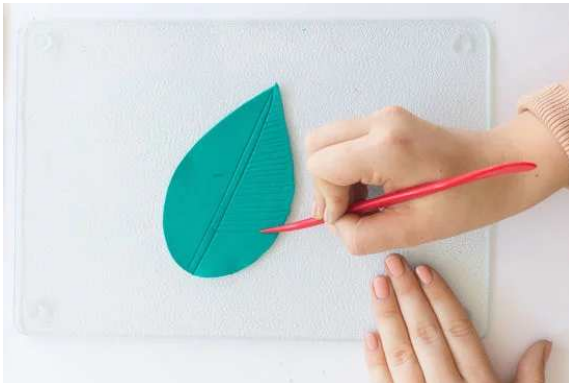
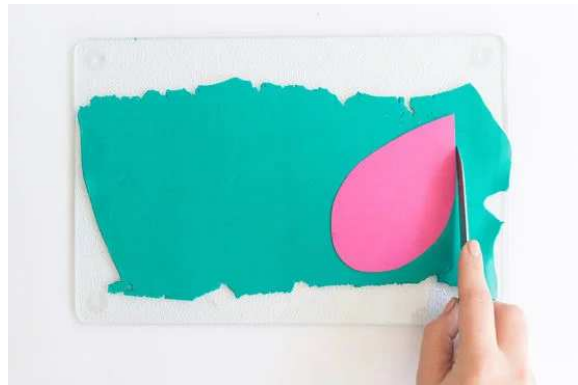


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First roll out two blocks of FIMO soft emerald into a thin sheet using the acrylic roller.

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Now cut out the leaf template and using the knife, cut three leaves from the FIMO sheet.



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Then take the modelling tool and score veins in the leaf.

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Next, place the leaf metal carefully on the leaf and smooth with your fingers.



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Go over the leaf veins once more using the modelling tool.

This will create what is known as a crackled effect, tearing the leaf metal and allowing the FIMO underneath to show through.

Remove the rest of the leaf metal. Repeat these steps for all the leaves.



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Now place the leaves around the glass and press down.

Harden the FIMO leaf glass in the oven for 30 minutes at 110° C / 230° F.



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Then leave to cool and protect the leaves by varnishing them with varnish for leaf metal.

Your botanical leaf lantern is done!



Material overview



What you need

Product	Article no.	Quantity
FIMO® soft 8020 Oven-hardening modelling clay - Single product emerald	8020-56	2
FIMO® soft 8020 Oven-hardening modelling clay - Single product white	8020-0	2
FIMO® 8781 Leaf metal - Single product Leaf metal, gold	8781-11	1
FIMO® 8711 Modelling tools - Wallet containing 4 different modelling tools	8711	1
FIMO® 8783 Varnish for leaf metal - Blistercard containing 1 jar of varnish for leaf metal, 35 ml	8783 BK	1
FIMO® 8700 05 Acrylic roller - Blistercard Acrylic roller for an even rolling out of FIMO, for a particularly smooth surface, Ø 25 mm, length 20 cm	8700 05	1
FIMO® 8713 Clay machine - Big cardboard box containing clay machine in red colour	8713	1

Additionally required:

smooth working surface (glass or ceramic), an ovenproof glass, knife, template, brush