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## Upcycling - FIMO vases with leaf metal



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### Upcycling - old cans become pretty FIMO vases

Decorations with flowers are always the most beautiful - the flowers are especially beautiful in stylish homemade vases. With an empty tin can, FIMO and leaf metal you can conjure up a beautiful DIY decoration in no time at all, which is also perfect as a gift!



## Step-by-step tutorial



1

Knead three blocks of mint FIMO until soft and then roll into a ball. Roll out to an even thickness of about 0.5 – 1 cm using the acrylic roller, ensuring that the width of the FIMO sheet is about the same as the height of your tin.

**Tip:** Work in progress and left-over material should be protected against sun and heat and can be stored in a screw-top jar or in cling film to protect it from dust and dirt.

2

Lay the tin on the FIMO sheet and cut the left edge of the sheet straight using the blade.



3

Now wrap the FIMO around the tin and cut to size.

Roll the tin backwards and forwards along your working surface, applying gentle pressure to close the join and ensure that the FIMO sticks firmly to the tin.

4

Trim the upper and lower edges so that the FIMO is the same size as the tin.



5

Smooth the "seam" with your modelling tool until the join is invisible.

Then harden the covered tin in the oven at 110°C / 230°F for 30 minutes and allow to cool completely.

6

Apply size for leaf metal to the lower third of the tin using the paintbrush and leave for about 15 minutes to become tacky.





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Now take the leaf metal and apply it to the tin. It will only stick to the surfaces where you have applied size. Brush to and fro over the surface with a dry paintbrush to remove any excess.

**Tip:** It creates a particularly pretty effect if you apply more leaf metal to the lower area and gradually less as you move upwards.

Finally, apply varnish for leaf metal using the paintbrush to protect the leaf metal.

**And you're done!**

## Material overview



## What you need

Product	Article no.	Quantity
<b>FIMO® soft 8020</b> Oven-bake modelling clay - Single product mint	8020-505	3
<b>FIMO® 8700 05</b> Acrylic roller - Blistercard containing an Acrylic roller	8700 05	1
<b>FIMO® 8781</b> Leaf metal - Single product Leaf metal, gold	8781-11	1
<b>FIMO® 8782</b> Size for leaf metal - Blistercard containing 1 jar of size for leaf metal, 35 ml	8782 BK	1

### Additionally required:

Smooth working surface (glass or ceramic), an empty (ovenproof!) tin can