



Upcycling - DIY vase from old bottles



“Good design is sustainable design!”

Give your old milk bottles and juice bottles a lovely makeover and turn them into pretty leather-look flower vases. The FIMO leather-effect covering makes your new old vase something really special. The perfect upcycling idea for your own individually designed decorations.



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Step-by-step tutorial



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Roll a block of FIMO leather-effect nut more or less flat using the acrylic roller. Then pass it through the clay machine on setting 1 to turn it into a sheet. Now pass the sheet through on increasingly thinner settings until you reach setting 5.

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Hold the FIMO leather-effect sheet up to the bottle that you want to cover to check that it's big enough. Then lay the FIMO leather-effect sheet flat on some baking paper and harden for **30 minutes in a preheated oven at 130 °C / 266° F on upper and lower heat.**

Tip: The leather effect stands out even better if you move the FIMO sheet gently by hand after rolling it out, pulling it apart a bit.



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Now draw a long rectangle using the Lumocolor non-permanent pen. This should of course be large enough to fit easily around the bottle. Cut out the rectangle with the scissors.

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Wrap the FIMO leather-effect rectangle around the empty bottle and hold in place with sewing clips. Then mark crosses to show where your eyelets will be.



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Place the eyelets on the marks and press them down firmly.

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Finally, cut the surplus edges to shape.



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To make the grey version, repeat steps 1-3, but instead of a rectangle, cut out a long triangle.

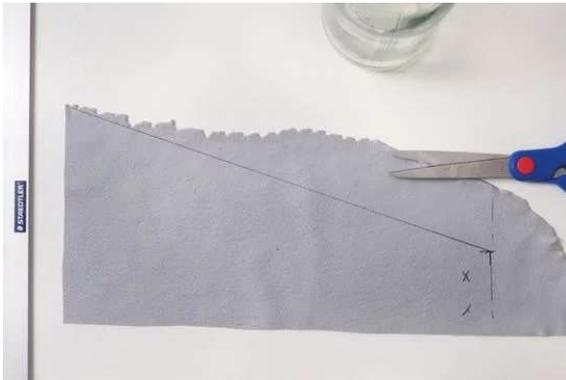
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Wrap the grey FIMO leather-effect sheet around the bottle with the long edge at the bottom and the ends overlapping. Draw another guide line on the overlapping section of FIMO, about 2 cm from the bottom. Mark another point about 4 cm above the line. Mark crosses for the eyelets about 1.5 cm apart.



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Now connect the end of the long side with another line, creating a triangle. Cut the triangle out along the line.



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After cutting it out, adjust the FIMO sheet to your bottle again.



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Now punch the holes and insert the eyelets. **And you're done!**



Material overview



What you need

Product	Article no.	Quantity
FIMO® leather-effect 8010 Oven-hardening modelling clay - Single product dove grey	8010-809	1
FIMO® leather-effect 8010 Oven-hardening modelling clay - Single product nut	8010-779	1
FIMO® 8700 05 Acrylic roller - Blistercard containing an Acrylic roller	8700 05	1
FIMO® 8713 Clay machine - Big cardboard box containing clay machine in red colour	8713	1
Lumocolor® non-permanent pen 316 Non-permanent universal pen F - Single product black	316-9	1

Additionally required:

scissors, old bottles, eyelets + pliers, sewing clips