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Upcycling vase in the Pantone Color of the year 2020



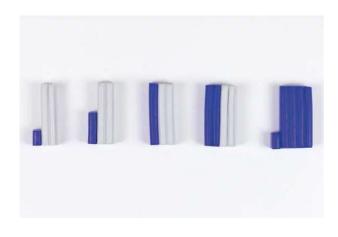




Classic blue radiates peace and harmony - just what we all need in these turbulent times.

It also stands for optimism and zest for life. Bring these wonderful, positive feelings into your home and conjure up a stylish vase from an old wine bottle and some FIMO soft. In 5 different gradations of the on-trend colour Classic Blue, this upcycling vase is not only timeless, it's also both simple and elegant.

Step-by-step tutorial





To create harmonious blue-grey colour gradations, first you need to establish ratios for mixtures of FIMO soft dolphin grey and FIMO soft brilliant blue. To do this, you will need 4x two portions of FIMO soft dolphin grey. You will also need the following portions of FIMO soft brilliant blue:

- 1x 2 portions
- 1x 1 portion
- 1x 1/2 portion
- 1x 1/4 portion

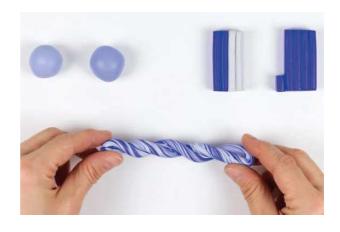
Assign each of the blue portions to 2 grey portions. You should now have 4 different combinations of clay to mix. The rest of the FIMO soft brilliant blue will not be combined with the grey but will be used unmixed. This will be your 5th shade.

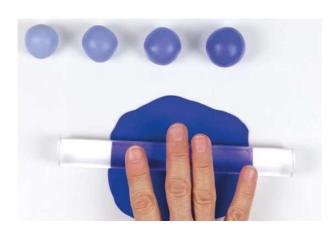


Now mix the individual combinations of clay together to create uniform shades. The quickest way to do this is to roll the clay into a long cord, fold it and then roll out again.

For the moment, put the 4 mixed shades aside.

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.







Now knead the 5th shade, the unmixed FIMO soft brilliant blue, until it is soft, and roll it out into a thin, even sheet using the acrylic roller.



Next, use the round cutters to cut out various circles in different sizes. Repeat this process with the other bluegrey shades.







Position the circles in a loose, random pattern on the bottle, starting from the bottom and working up.

They can overlap slightly, or you can also leave gaps between them. Press down lightly and if necessary smooth them over.

Start at the bottom of the bottle with the darkest colour and use lighter colours as you work upwards.



You should now have a colour gradient from dark to light going up the bottle. Harden it in the oven for 30 minutes at 110 $^{\circ}$ C / 230 $^{\circ}$ F.

Leave to cool, and you're done!

Tip: If any circles fall off once they are hardened, you can reattach them with superglue.



Material overview



What you need

| Product | Article no. | Quantity |
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| FIMO® soft 8020 Oven-bake modelling clay - Single product brilliant blue | 8020-33 | 1 |
| FIMO® soft 8020 Oven-bake modelling clay - Single product dolphin grey | 8020-80 | 1 |

Additionally required:

smooth working surface (glass or ceramic), elegantshaped, clear glass wine bottle, set of round cutters in at least 5 different sizes

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