

ENCHANTED FLOWERS INSTRUCTIONS

“Making the stem:

1. Determine how many flowers you will be making. Pour the quick set cement into the plastic buckets. Let the cement set and add a 4' wooden dowel in the center of the bucket (flowers will not need the dowel if they are shorter than 3'). Let the cement completely dry over night.
2. Using safety goggles, wire cutters, and gloves, cut chicken wire into corresponding lengths according to the diameter of the plastic buckets. Cut the length at various heights.
3. Use the cement buckets as a base and mold the chicken wire around the buckets and form into stems. Use zip ties to fasten the chicken wire securely around the base and the inner wooden dowel.
4. In a well-ventilated area, spray sheets of green tissue paper with spray adhesive.

Starting at the bottom wrap each sheet around the stem until it the entire stem is covered.

Making the flowers:

1. Using your selection of tissue colors cut layers of tissue paper into petals of various sizes.
2. Form the smallest petals into a bouquet. Tape the bouquet's stem to keep the layers together.
3. Continue to add layers of petals and repeat the step above until you have reached the desired size.
4. To create the center of the flower, cut circles out of tissue paper, and roughly scrunch and pinch the edges, this may take a few layers. Glue the layers together.
5. Hot glue moss into the center of the circles.
6. Attach the center to the petals with hot glue, and the flower is complete.
7. Use zip ties to attach the flower to the stem, and shape to desired form.”

TORN PAPER FLOWERS

Step One: To create the center of the flower, take the two halves of the foam ball and coat thoroughly with spray paint. Allow time to dry. While that is drying, cut each Chenille stem into thirds.

Starting in the center, poke the Chenille stem into the painted foam and continue until the Chenille stem has covered the foam and you have achieved your desired look.

Step Two: Using the glue gun, take the center of the flower and glue it to the foam cone.

Step Three: Lay the white construction paper out vertically and rip the paper towards yourself.

Start by ripping pieces that are the entire length of the poster and about 3” wide at the base.

To layer the flower, vary the lengths accordingly. Create approximately 16-24 torn petals per layer.

Use wire cutters to cut the floral wire into thirds. Glue the wire down the middle of the paper petal, leaving about an in of over hang.

Step Four: Cut your cup in half. Then cut 1-inch tabs all the way around it. This will be your base. Hot glue your biggest petals to the OUTSIDE of the cut tabs. The weight of the petals should open the cup into a semi-flat shape.

Step Five: Add the petals to the foam cone starting at the base with the largest petals moving up to the smallest. Fill in areas that look bare.

COTTON SWAB FLOWER PUFFS

Step One: Cut the Q-Tips in half.

Step Two: Insert the cut ends of the cotton swabs in the Styrofoam balls.(Repeat this step until the Styrofoam balls are completely covered in cotton swabs.)

Step Three: Create the dye for the cotton swabs. Using a large bowl of water and the food coloring create your desired color. (Make sure the bowl is big enough to fit your large Styrofoam ball) (You may want to test the dye color with some extra cotton swabs)

Step Four: Once you have created your dye roll the assembled Styrofoam cotton swabs ball around in the bowl of dye making sure each cotton swabs is dipped into the dye. (You might need to let the cotton swabs soak up the dye for a couple of seconds before you rotate it to the next area.)

Step Five: Once you have dyed all the cotton swabs set them aside to dry.

Step Six: Decide where you would like the base of the flower to be and remove those cotton swabs. Very carefully push the top of the assembled flower stem base into the Assembled cotton swab flower.