

Autumn lanterns to warm your heart ...



These lovely autumn lanterns will bathe any later summer garden party or autumn tea party in a wonderful, atmospheric light.

The constant flicker of the tea-lights within is sure to warm your heart. And the glowing colours of autumn leaves look all the more vibrant thanks to the ingenious grooved pattern created using translucent FIMO.

With STAEDTLER's 'Indian Summer' Colour Kit, it's no trouble at all to get creative and capture this mood.





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You will need these STAEDTLER articles :				
Product	Colour	Art. no.	Quantiy	1
Colour Kit "Indian Summer"		8025 02	1	
alternativ FIMO soft	sahara	8020-70	1	
FIMO soft	sun yellow	8020-16	1	
FIMO soft	lindia red	8020-24	1	
FIMO soft	caramel	8020-7	1	
Glanzlack		8703 01 BK		
FIMO effect	translucent	8020-014	1	
blade set		8700 04		
acrylic roller or FIMO clay machine		8700 05 8713		
modelling tools		8711		
oven thermometer		8700 02		

Smooth work surface (glass or ceramic), ruler and different glasses, wide enough to hold a tealight



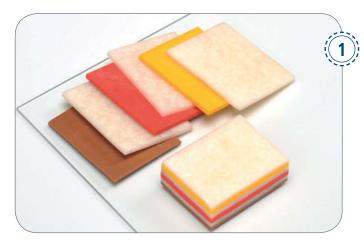
Have fun crafting!





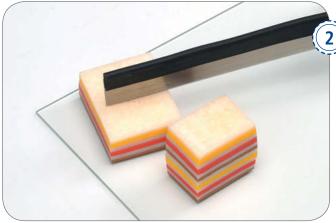
FIMO.

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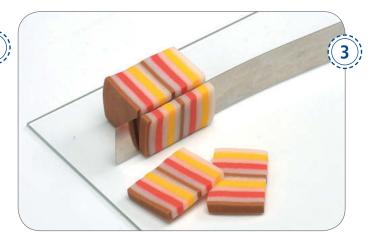


Using either the acrylic roller or FIMO clay machine, take two strips of sun flower and roll them out to an even, approx. 3 mm thick sheet. Do the same with the colours caramel and indian red. Then, use five strips of translucent FIMO to make a number of 3 mm thick sheets as well.

Next, take the caramel-coloured sheet and place a translucent sheet on top of it. Cut the edges straight. Then, place a sheet of indian red on top, followed by another sheet of translucent. Finally, sun flower and translucent again. Every time a new sheet is placed on top, cut the edges straight so that you end up with a uniform block of FIMO.



Then divide the block in the middle with a thin blade and place the two halves on top of each other.

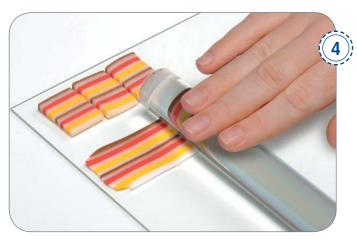


Lay the block down lengthwise and cut 3-4 mm thick slices off it.

Tip:

Unfinished items and left-over bits of material can be stored in a sealed plastic bag or airtight container, e.g. a plastic box or jar.

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Using the ruler, you now need to measure the height of the glass, as your striped sheet of FIMO needs to be the same length. Place the slices alongside each other, taking care to align the stripes as you do so, until the measured length has been reached.

Roll over them using the acrylic roller so that the individual slices are joined together to make a single sheet.

You now need to measure the circumference of the glass and divide this by the width of the striped sheet. This will tell you how many sheets you will need to go round the glass. Make the required number of sheets.



Place the sheets carefully on the glass and press on lightly. Always make sure that the pattern is continued correctly and that there are no gaps in-between. What's more, the sheets should not overlap as otherwise the light won't be able to shine through the lantern properly in those areas later on. If necessary, measure the last piece exactly and cut the sheet to size.

Smooth over the joins with your fingers. Go over again with the acrylic roller to make the surface as smooth and even as possible.



Now, hold the modelling tool at a right angle to the striped pattern and make grooves in the FIMO. This distorts the coloured stripes, thereby creating an impressive wavy pattern.

Harden the finished lantern for 30 minutes in the oven at 110°C.

