

# PRESSED FLOWER VOTIVES

## Supplies Needed:

- Glass jar
- Pressed flowers
- Mod Podge
- Scissors
- Paint brush
- Tweezers
- Paper towel
- Votive candle



**Step One:** Make sure the jar is cleaned, dried and clear of all stickers or ink stamps (Goo Gone will do the trick!)

**Step Two:** Select a dried flower and placement on the outside your jar. It will be easiest to work on flat surfaces. Then, using a paint brush, brush a layer of Mod Podge onto the selected area. Using the tweezers, pick up the dried flower and gently place onto the jar. Use tweezers to ensure all sides are touching the jar.



**Step Three:** After allowing the first layer to tack, brush a layer of Mod Podge over the flower to seal it. *Tip: some flowers are very delicate - brush/dab from the inside of the flower outward to avoid pulling up the petals. Some flowers are layered and may require additional Mod Podge between to hold them to each other.*

**Step Four:** Repeat steps two and three until the jar is covered as desired. *You may want to clean your tweezers between flowers so they stick where you want them and not stick to the tweezers!*



**Step Five:** Once dry, apply a final layer of Mod Podge covering the entire jar, not just the flowers. This last layer will give an even texture and a cohesive look to the piece. Painting technique will affect the final texture so have fun and be creative - swirls, straight brush strokes, smudged, each will dry differently.

**Step Six:** Once completely dry, set the votive candle inside and enjoy your beautiful new lantern! Gorgeous lit or unlit. Enjoy!



**Personalization:** Using different flowers or plants will be an easy way to make this piece “you.” Also, different glass containers are possible! If planning to use a votive, just be sure the candle can be placed and lit within. If not, the sky's the limit! Wine bottles, mason jars, check that recycle bin and have some fun! *Tip: Curvature, texture and creases in the glass may make adhering difficult. It may be best to avoid those areas or use scissors to trim your flowers to lay flat more easily.*

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