

CREATING CHUNKY CANDLES

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MATERIALS SUGGESTED

Polyclay - Sculpy and/or Fimo

- . One package transparent
- . One package off white or ivory
- . Skewer - a Long thin wire or knitting needle
- . Corn starch or baby powder.
- . Oven or dedicated polyclay oven

DIRECTIONS - General Preparation

- 1 Mix equal portions of the transparent and and the ivory clay together until thoroughly mixed and pliable. Using transparent will make the clay very, very soft and easy to handle.

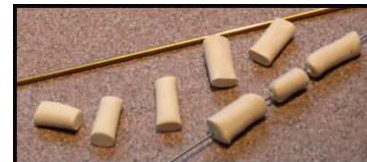


- 2a Roll the clay into long snakes so that the diameter is about 1/4" to 5/8" --- which is about the the size of a pencil.



- 2b OR alternately - make the roll slightly smaller than the top of the candle holder you plan to use.

- 3 Next -- cut the snake into pieces to create the height of the candle -- 1/2" -- 5/8" -- or whatever height you desire for your project. Make an indentation on the top to make a "well".



- 4 Pre heat oven to 200 degrees.



- 5 Prepare skewer by dusting with a light coat of corn starch or baby powder. This is done so that the cooked candles won't stick to the skewer after they have cooled.

6 We are using a very low temperature in the oven -- so we will need a longer baking time. Bake for at least 20 minutes in the 200 degree oven,

7 When candles are completely cool, pull a piece of string/thread/yarn up through the hole leaving a long tail on both ends to emulate a candle wick.



8 On the end, paint with a dab of black - or burn.

9 Pull the wick down from the bottom so that the top is even with the top of indentation, then cut off the excess. The bottom end can be clipped and glued in place.

10 If candle is crooked or stands at a slant, use an Exacto knife to cut away the excess and straighten the candle.



11 Glue in place on a candle base. ENJOY

I will have an additional version that shows you how to electrify your candles. eMail me at moonyeenmoller@sbcglobal.net and I will send you a copy of the electrified version when it is completed.

Here are the candle bases that will be used in my electrified version of this candle tutorial.

