

CHEST ARMOR

July FANTASY SOLUTION Class
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Greetings and welcome to this last class for the July Fantasy Solutions online classes. You should now be able to create mermaids, dragons and gallant knights to rescue either one <G>.

This Tutorial is how I make basic Chest plate armor with polyclay. You can of course add your own big velvet puff sleeves, chest medallion, maybe royal robe? Whatever trips your fancy. I also left holes in the front of armor for his magic gem stones.

I have also given the pdf tutorial of Lord Warwick on the Fantasy site if you would like to dress your lord instead of using armor.



Supplies

1. *Porcelain Man Body/Arms/Legs*
2. *Velvet*
3. *Stripped dress shirt with silver threads running through*
4. *Polyclay (such as Fimo/Sculpy)*
5. *Matt varnish*
6. *Silver nail polish*
7. *Black nail polish*
8. *chalking (optional) for shading*
9. *Misc items for decoration*
10. *Assortment of sculpting tools that you prefer. I used my fingers and edge of rounded knitting needle to make the grooves*
11. *dedicated baking oven*
12. *glass dish dedicated to polyclay*
13. *glue and misc sewing supplies*

Directions:

1. Take conditioned polyclay and extend his porcelain torso as shown. Bake according to package directions. Cool.
2. Now put a section of fimo around his front and sides to form the *barrel shape* for chest armor. Bake.
3. Next add small snakey ropes around his neck and gently place a few groove lines and holes for nails or decorations. This will make him look bulky - but depending on what type of armor you are trying to achieve you could also tuck chain mail from his head gear here.
4. Now add one big roll of fimo to make shoulder plates. Groove in some ridges for his movement (hahah if he were to move) arms. Bake.
5. Now add one big coil of clay around his hips and smooth/blend into his torso with your fingers and gently curve clay outward to form bottom of his chest armor. Push in grooves around waist to look realistic. Bake.



6. While this last section is baking, cut two tubes (rectangles) from a man's dress shirt that have stripes and maybe silver threads ... and make pantaloons bottoms as shown. When armor is cool, push his legs up into torso hole and glue.

7. Lastly - since this was dress armor — I am making a velvet under robe (shown sticking out bottom of armor). This was done by taking black cotton/velveteen, cutting rectangle, folding in half, and gather top and gluing underneath armor to stick out as shown.



and others have that ability

- BUT this is easy enough to fool anyone's eye with clever painting and dry brushing. So if you are a beginner like me - try it! Its actually fun to make your little round king!

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