

How To Make a Poinsettia

Poinsettia Supplies

Punches:

- 8 sets of shapes from Star Lily MCG64511 - Use same size shapes for each layer
- 2-3 shapes from Star Lily MCG64511 for leaves
- 1 shape from Crystal MCG64535 for flower base

Tools:

- Paper Tool Kit and Case MCG65800
- Craft Molding Mat MCG65900

Additional:

- Red and Green Cardstock • 5mm Adhesive Gold Beads • Clear quick-setting Craft Glue • Non-stick Craft Mat or Scrap Paper



Technique #1 - Shaping

Place a punched shape on the Craft Molding Mat (MCG65900) and press down with the large 8mm ball stylus. (Paper Tool Kit MCG65800) Move stylus around in small circular motions to soften cardstock, making it easier to manipulate. The paper will curl.



Technique #2 - Pinching

Center the Tweezers, (PaperTool Kit MCG65800), over the narrow end of the shape. With thumb and index finger, gradually pinch the paper around the tweezers. This prepares petal for attaching to the flower base.



Technique #3 - Bending

Hold the pinched end of the shape between finger and thumb. Use the Tweezers to grasp the side of the shape and roll it back to form the natural curve of a petal. Repeat on other side to complete petal.



Technique #4 - Cupping

With the shape on the mat, use the 8mm stylus placed at a 90° angle to the paper. Press down and roll the stylus around in the center of the shape until it cups up. Cupping creates the flower base that petals attach to in the assembly of the flower.



Technique #5 - Assembly

Use 8 of the largest Star Lily shapes and 6 of the next largest to make each Poinsettia. After all the petals have been formed using Techniques #1, 2, 3, apply a small dab of glue to the non stick craft sheet or scrap paper to start assembly. Start with the cupped Crystal, (Technique #4,) as the base. Dip the narrow end of each petal into the glue and attach the 8 largest petals onto the base. For the second layer continue gluing the next 6 petals around the Crystal Base, offset them in between the first layer of petals.

[Caution: Don't use glue on or over the Craft Molding Mat. It needs to stay clean and dry.]

Punch 2-3 of the large Star Lily shapes for leaves. Follow Techniques #1, 2 and 3 to prepare the shapes. Dip the end of each leaf into glue and attach around the base of the flower.

Add four 5mm adhesive gold beads to center to complete the Poinsettia.

