



## Lanterns from papier-mâché pulp decorated with dried flowers

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Make your own lanterns from papier-mâché pulp and attach dried flowers on the inside with decoupage lacquer for decoration.

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**1** Blow up a balloon to the size you want your lantern to be.



**2** Mix the papier-mâché powder in water in the ratio: 3 parts powder to 1 part water.



**3** Mix and knead until the mixture resembles the papier-mâché pulp in this photo.





**4** Cover halfway round the balloon with the papier-mâché pulp. Make a rustic surface by adding another layer of small pieces of papier-mâché pulp, scratching the surface lightly to add texture with your fingertips or a teaspoon. Make sure that the papier-mâché pulp is still wet when doing so.



**5** Remove the balloon when the papier-mâché is dry.



**6** Decorate the inside of the lantern by brushing a thin layer of decoupage lacquer where you wish to attach a flower. Attach the flower on top of the decoupage lacquer.



**7** Secure the flower by brushing another thin coat of decoupage lacquer on top.



**8** Varnish the entire inside of the lantern with a thin coat of decoupage lacquer when you have finished decorating.



**9** Do not use live candles. Use battery-powered LED tea-lights instead.