gift idea Wooden Soap Box

Instructions No. 4011

Difficulty: Challenging

Working time: 3 Hours

You'll create an elegant soap set, that beautifully combines craftsmanship and self-care. When you pour the soap, you'll create intricately detailed pieces featuring a palm leaf motif, which you can customize with color and scent. Pair this with a wooden box that you personalize with " wooden burning " and enhance as " gift wrapping ." Together, the soap and box become a harmonious gift with a personal touch.

Design a Wooden Box with " wooden burning "

Print out the design template and position it on the lid of the wooden box. Place graph paper between the two and trace the lines with a pencil. This allows you to transfer the design neatly onto the wood without having to draw it freehand.

Next, place a stencil with curving tendrils in the desired spot. Fill in the open spaces with a pencil. Filling in the

spaces ensures that you'll clearly see the outlines later when burning and that you'll achieve smooth curves.
Now it's time for the wooden burning: Heat up the pyrography pen and slowly trace along the pre-drawn lines. Work with a steady hand and light pressure so that the lines turn an even dark color and the wood doesn't fray. If you'd like to decorate the bottom of the box as well, repeat the transfer process using the stencil and then burn in the details.

Soap Making: Palm Leaf Soap from the silicone mould

Gently melt a small amount of soap base and stir in some coconut oil. Coconut oil usually makes the soap a bit more nourishing and can give the surface a more pleasant feel. Once everything is liquid, color the mixture as desired with soap colour and add fragrance oil. Stir thoroughly so that the color and scent are evenly distributed.
To ensure the palm leaves stand out in color later, use a pipette to draw up some of the hot soap mixture. Carefully fill the leaf sections of the silicone soap mold with it. This precise filling is the trick to keeping the contours clear and visually emphasizing the leaf structure.
For a green "top" effect, next pour a thin layer of green soap into the mold so that the bottom is completely covered. The thin layer helps prevent the color from becoming too heavy and ensures a clean transition to the light-colored soap mixture later on.
To create small green specks in the soap, pour an even thinner layer of green soap into one of the molds. It doesn't have to be even. Let this mini layer harden, remove it from the mold, break it into small pieces, and place the pieces back into the palm leaf mold. This creates a lively look with inclusions without needing any additional decoration.
Now melt white soap base, stir in a little coconut oil again, and add fragrance oil to taste. Fill the molds to the brim. Let the soaps harden completely so they don't crack when you remove them from the silicone mould and the edges stay nice and smooth. Then you can carefully unmold the soaps.

Making Soap Balls

Mix soap flakes with oil, shea butter, and fragrance according to the package instructions to form a moldable mixture. The combination of flakes and nourishing oils ensures that the balls become firm as they dry and feel pleasant to the touch later on.
Shape them into uniform balls and place them on a smooth surface to dry. Allow several days for the soap balls to harden thoroughly. This makes them less fragile later on and helps them retain their shape even inside the gift box.

Finishing the Gift Set

Line the wooden box with a little wood wool and place the molded palm leaf soaps and soap balls inside. Leave small gaps between them so the surfaces don't rub against each other and the arrangement looks neat.
If you plan to give the soaps as gifts, let them air out thoroughly before packaging so the scent can settle nicely.
You'll find everything you need for soap making— wooden burning , and matching molds—in the online shop—simply put together your set there and get started on your next DIY-project.

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Must Have

VBS Silicone soap mould "Palm Leaves"

Number of motifs: 6
Fill volume: 530 mL
Length: 22.5 cm
Width: 17 cm
Material: Silicone

6,99 €

Item details

Quantity: 1

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Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
30063	VBS Silicone soap mould "Palm Leaves"	1
27815	VBS Pouring soap, white1000 g	1
12195	Scent oil for soapCoconut	1
506823-01	Soap flakes to knead, white500 g	1
506830	Oil for soap flakes	1
15145	Coconut oil	1
12227	VBS Wooden box with loose lid	1
452946	Stencil "Flower tendrils"	1
12216	Soap colourOlive Green	1
29885	Professional pyrography station	1
619059	VBS Wood wool, approx. 100 g, Nature	1
30057	VBS Universal graduated pipettes5 ml, 30 pcs.	1
560566	Graphite paper	1
26995	share Pencil HB, 2 pcs.	1
491402	Universal melting pot	1
506786	Shea butter	1