

# Lanterns with flowers made from colourful straws

Instructions No. 372

Difficulty: Beginner 🍴🍴🍴🍴

Working time: 1 hour

When you hear the term "crafting with straws", you probably think first of Straw stars. But in this manual we will show you how to make these pretty lanterns with floral motifs from coloured and natural straws.



## Here's how it works:

In the natural state the **Straws** very stiff and break easily. For this reason, they are brought into a flat form, which can then be processed very easily.

Cut the **stems** lengthwise with small scissors or a Cutter on. Afterwards the stalks are **soaked in water** for about 30 minutes. This makes them more flexible and they can then be easily ironed without breaking. Coloured straws should be separated according to colour

While the stalks are taking a "water bath", the tea light glasses can **be prepared**. We have dabbed frost with a painting sponge-Effect paint to get a great look

After the water bath the **Straws** iron as follows: Iron the inside **first** and then the outside until all the moisture has evaporated

If you **want to lay large areas of straw**, you can fix the flat straws close together on crepe-Adhesive tape . If the straw plates become slightly wavy, you can press them between two heavy books. Once this is done, draw the desired shape on the back and **cut it** out with scissors. The crepe-Adhesive tape makes it easy to cut the straws without tearing at the edges.

Finally, the different elements are glued with **tape-Ribbon** and can be additionally **Handicraft paint** be painted and decorated with some Jute ribbon Thus you get individual, interesting and not everyday decorative objects with a particularly unusual look.

## Must Have



[VBS Craft straws, Colored, 50 pieces](#)

● 2,99 €

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Quantity: –  +

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Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
650779	VBS Craft straws "Bleached", 500 pieces	1
592994	VBS Frost-Effect paint	1
611527	VBS Polystyrene ball, Ø 3 cm	1
460033-01	Jute yarn, 3.5 mm, 280 mNature	1
644303-03	VBS Double page Adhesive tape3 mm	1
70522	Crepe-Adhesive tape, 50 m	1
330350	VBS Painting sponges, 3 pieces	1
686198	VBS Tea light glasses, set of 4	1