

PART 1: PLANTER MAKING

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Air dry clay
- Clay sculpting tools
- Silicone craft mat
- Round cookie cutter
- Small cup of water

Pro Tip:

Wear short sleeves or long sleeves that can be rolled up!

Instructions:

1. Ensure you have a hard, flat surface to begin your work.
2. Lay out your silicone craft mat to protect your work surface.
3. Take out a handful of clay and press it into a flat disk roughly 1/4 inch thick and wider than the 3" cookie cutter.
4. Use your cookie cutter and punch out a perfect circle from the disk of clay you just flattened. Using your sculpting tools, poke holes through the disk (these will provide drainage for your plant). Put disk aside for step 6!
5. Grab another handful of clay and begin to roll it on your covered work surface. Use both hands to smooth it out into a line of clay that's even and about 1/4 inch thick.
6. Grab the disk you created in step 4 and start coiling the line of clay around the top of the disk. Be sure to push down so the line of clay sticks to the base!
7. Once your entire line of clay is coiled on top of the disk, repeat step 5 and continue coiling clay on until your planter is the height you want it to be, we recommend roughly 4-6 inches tall!
8. If your clay starts to crack, use your cup of water to wet your finger and smooth out the cracks along the way, or once your planter is finished!
9. Use your sculpting tools to add design to before the planter dries.
10. Let your planter dry for at least 48 hours, and then move on to part 2: decorating!



PART 2: DECORATING

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Dried clay coil planter (see part 1)
- Paint
- Paintbrushes (included with paint)
- Mod Podge
- Foam brushes
- Silicone craft mat
- Paper plate
- Small cup of water
- Napkin or paper towel

Instructions:

1. Once your clay coil planter has fully air dried (at least 48 hours), get ready to decorate!
2. Cover your work space with your silicone craft mat and grab a paper plate or other surface to easily squeeze paint onto.
3. Using your paint and paintbrushes, get creative! Use as many colors as you'd like (you can even blend the colors!) to decorate your clay coil planter however you'd like. Use the cup of water and napkin/paper towel to keep your brushes clean in between colors.
4. Once your paint dries, use a foam brush to spread the Mod Podge over your clay coil planter. Apply Mod Podge on the inside and outside of your planter to seal it and ensure it is protected when you water your plants. There is glossy and matte Mod Podge - use whichever you prefer!
5. Let the planter completely dry before moving on to part 3: planting!



PART 3: PLANTING

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Painted & sealed clay coil planter (see parts 1 & 2)
- Seed packet
- Planting soil
- Small cup of water

Pro Tip:

Take a pic each day once your plant sprouts to check the progress over time!

Instructions:

1. Once your painted and sealed planter has dried, you're ready to plant your herb seeds!
2. Sprinkle dirt into the planter, up to 3/4 of the way up.
3. Using your finger, poke a hole for each seed you want to plant. We recommend planting 2-3 seeds - feel free to pick the same seeds or different ones!
4. Cover the seed holes with a handful more dirt and pat it flat.
5. Using the small cup of water, lightly water the seeds.
6. Keep your planter on a plate or other surface to collect any water that escapes the drain holes in the bottom.
7. Put the planter near a window with good lighting so your plants can grow and flourish!
8. Check your planter each day to see if the soil is dry. If the soil is dry, add a bit more water. If the soil is still moist, no need to water quite yet; check again tomorrow!
9. Once your plant is fully grown, use the herbs in some tasty dishes or as toppings to your favorite meals!
10. Use the planter to replant seeds each year, and keep your planter going throughout the winter as well!

