Lamp with wool-covered shade

Instructions No. 4032

Difficulty: Beginner

Working time: 3 Hours 30 Minutes

With an oval “ lampshade ,” you can create a unique accent piece for your home in no time. Wrapping it in wool creates a warm, textured surface that visibly enhances your lamp’s design. You choose the color scheme and pattern yourself, customizing the lamp to match your style. Ideal for beginners who want to creatively combine decoration and function.



Wrap the oval lampshade with yarn (lamps design)

Gather the oval lampshade, yarn, and handicraft glue , and protect your work surface. This will keep the lampshade clean and allow you to guide the yarn evenly later on—perfect for a modern DIY-lampshade- design that softens the light.

1. Prepare the yarn

First, wind some yarn off the skein. Holding a loose bundle of yarn in your hand allows you to work more comfortably, prevents knots, and helps you control the tension better. This is important to ensure the finished surface looks smooth and high-quality.

2. Secure the beginning

Apply a small dot of glue to an inconspicuous spot on the top or bottom edge and press the end of the yarn firmly against it. The handicraft glue ensures that the first round doesn't shift—this foundation determines whether your wrapped lampshade will look even later on.

3. Wrap the lampshade evenly

Now wrap the yarn around the lampshade. as you like. You can wrap it tightly and parallel to each other if you want a closed, fabric-like look, or intentionally leave small gaps if you want the light to shine through a bit more vividly later. Make sure to apply the wool with even tension: if it's too loose, it will slip; if it's too tight, the wrapping may warp.

4. Designing Color Blocks and Stripes

If you want to achieve a graphic result like in our example photo, mentally divide the lampshade into sections and wrap in clear "bands." When changing colors, start the transition at a straight edge and briefly tape the end of the yarn in place before continuing to wrap with the next color. This creates clean stripes and a modern look that pairs especially well with a contemporary lamp design.

5. Secure the end and finish neatly

Once you've finished wrapping the desired area, secure the end of the yarn again with handicraft glue. Press it firmly and smooth out the last wrap so no ends stick out. Let the glue dry completely before continuing to work on the lampshade —this ensures everything stays permanently in place.

6. Assemble and check the lighting effect

Place the " lampshade " on a suitable lamp base and insert a light bulb. Then briefly check the lighting effect: If the pattern appears calm and even, your DIY-lamp is ready. If there's a spot that bothers you, you can carefully readjust individual windings as long as the adhesive hasn't completely hardened yet.



Now it's your turn: Browse our online shop for the right yarns, handicraft glue , and accessories to create your lampshade in the same style or in new color combinations.

Must Have



VBS Lampshade "Oval", 20.5 cm

Length: 20.5 cm
Width: 10.5 cm
Height: 15 cm
Material: Paper, Metal

5,99 €

Item details

Quantity: - 1 + Add to cart

Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
29749	VBS Lampshade “Oval”, 20.5 cm	1
29746	VBS Lamp base “Flat sphere”, approx. 11 × 6.5 cm	1
369831-30	Wool "Lisa"Neon-Fuchsia	1
369831-38	Wool "Lisa"Orange	1
369831-12	Wool "Lisa"Red	1
111065	VBS Handicraft glue80 ml	1
21904	VBS Scissors "Soft-Grip", set of 2	1