Sizzix® Tutorial: Paper Succulent in a Planter Basket

Instructions No. 1446

Difficulty: Beginner

With a **Sizzix® Big Shot machine**, only can be used to create decorative Paper succulents with little effort and in a very short time. These are decorated in a plant basket and become real eye-catchers.

For this Original Sizzix® idea you need the following materials:

- Sizzix® Big Shot machine or
- Sizzix® Big Shot Plus machine
- Sizzix® Precision Base Plate
- Sizzix® Thinlits stencil set "Moroccan Flower

It's so easy to make succulents with your Sizzix® machine Paper-

1. Each succulent flower consists of 4 punched out flower shapes. For the large succulents you punch out four large flower shapes, for the small flowers 4 pieces in a small shape. For your succulents, use different coloured papers that harmonise with each other. Extra tip **: Put** 2 sheets Paper in the machine at once - the Sizzix® Big Shot cuts papers up to 3 mm thick!
2. The punched petals are now formed round: roll the ends of the petals with your fingers or roll them on a pencil. Curl some petals more than others - this gives the individual paper plants a more natural and individual look.
3. Fold the punched petals into flowers. The small leaves are placed over the large ones. Glue them together (with Handicraft glue).
4. Fill the cavities of the planter with crumpled newspaper near the top.
5. Cut 3 rectangles from Corrugated board to cover the planter box compartments. These should each be as wide as the respective compartment and about 2 cm longer. Fold over about 1 cm on both long sides of each rectangle, cut a cross in the middle of the blanks and stick the Corrugated board using the folded tabs as a cover about 0.5 cm below the top edge of the compartments.
6. Each corrugated board sheet is now thickly coated with Handicraft glue . Sprinkle decorative gravel on the still wet glue. After drying, simply pour off any excess gravel that is not stuck to the glue from plant box. If some parts of the corrugated board are still uncovered, cover them with more decorative gravel. **Extra tip:** Instead of using simple Handicraft glue VBS Sequin glue and apply it with a spatula. With this glue it is possible to Position of the glued stones (as long as the glue has not dried). When dry, the adhesive is extremely strong.
7. Position your handmade succulents on the planter box and stick them together with small bundles of natural bast on the gravel surfaces. Stick a half pearl in the middle of each flower as a pistil.

Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
694612	VBS Planting basket "Vintage"	1
71605501	Scrapbook block " Structure Pearl 1"	1
71605502	Scrapbook block " Structure Pearl 2"	1
650984	Natural bast, natural colour	1
111065	VBS Handicraft glue	1
24571	Hot glue gun "Mini", 10W/240V	1
21904	VBS Scissors "Soft-Grip", set of 2	1
131056	VBS Plastic spatula, 5 parts	1