

CANDLE MAKING

Get **FIRED UP**
over these
**CANDLE
CREATIONS!**



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**DON'T LEAVE LIT
CANDLES UNATTENDED.**

DOUBLE DIP

Looking for DIY party favors? Taper candles make gorgeous gifts! Simply lower braided wicks into melted wax (that's been colored with dye squares) and then into cold water to instantly harden the wax. Dip back and forth until the tapers take shape!



SLAM DUNK

For long, sleek candles, lower the wicks straight into the wax, then lift them out of the wax in a single smooth motion.

Tip: Tie a washer to the end of each wick to keep them weighed down during the dipping process.



ICE BREAKER

Ice candles—like these lovelies—don't get their name from how they look, but how they're made! When you pour melted wax into a mold full of ice, the wax quickly hardens and melts the ice, leaving behind a hollowed-out candle full of depth and dimension.



WINNING STREAK

Give DIY candles a fresh coat of paint with water-based acrylics (which aren't flammable!). For this freestyle look, just pour craft marbling paints over the tops!

Tip: To easily remove candles from their molds, remember to prep the molds with a release spray.



GEODE MODE

Go geo-gorgeous! Use a geometric mold to create patterned pillar candles. Then customize them with a craft knife, cutting and sculpting the wax for different designs.

Tip: To layer colors, let the first color harden before pouring the next.



BEST WISHES

Wanna know how to make letter-shaped candles? As you wish! Cut out the front of a paper-mache letter (the inside is hollow), pour in melted wax (add dried leaves and flowers for an extra-special touch), and done! P.S. Don't forget to place your wicks before pouring.



ROCK & ROLL

Stone-bottomed candles are the gift that keeps on giving. Pour the stone mix into a large paper-mache box. Nestle a smaller box into the mix to make a dish-shaped base. And when the wax melts away, the dish will remain!





CAKE POP

Candy molds can be used to make custom birthday candles!

Pretty sweet, huh?

From numbers to crowns to stars, these beauties make cake tops pop.

Fill the molds halfway with wax, add the wicks and lollipop sticks, then fill the molds the rest of the way.



LAYERED LOOK

When layering multiple colors of wax, let each color harden before pouring the next.

COZY UP

Curious about how we got these candles so nice and knit? It's all in the DIY mold! Wrap knit fabric around a pillar candle mold and coat the fabric with decoupage medium to stiffen it. Then cover the fabric with mold putty—when hardened, it forms a reusable rubber mold!

For molded pillar candles like these, use beeswax—it holds its shape well and is extremely durable!



ON THE COVER:

Use a stepping stone mix to give the candles a solid foundation, then top them off with wax.



WOOD YOU BELIEVE

With just a craft knife and a splash of paint, you can transform basic candles into home decor delights! For these woodland wonders, we just carved lines for the woodgrain and brushed the candles with water-based acrylics.

LEVEL UP

This layered look sure is lovely! Thinly spread melted beeswax onto parchment paper. When it's slightly hardened, cut out circles with a cookie cutter, punch a hole in the center of each one, and stack them onto a wick.



Beeswax hardens quickly but stays flexible, making it less likely to break while stacking.