

Pumpkin

REQUIREMENTS:

DMJ-0002F	Junior dipping kit and
DMJ-0002B	Junior colouring kit or
DMC-0002B	Combi 2B
DPW-00119	Composite wax T119 or other paraffin wax
KLP-24...	Colour tablets, orange and green
WPT-00210	Wax wick with wick foot, extra-long
KPT-03x04	Flat wick
Needle, Balloon (small and round, but not a water balloon)	

Heat the wax to 70°C - 75°C in a suitable dipping urn.

Cut three sections of wick to lengths of 20-25 cm. Knot these sections together at their centre.

Add a knot to every end.

Use the needle to thread a fourth section of wick through the wicks just underneath the knots on every end.

Knot the ends of this fourth section together to form a ring with a diameter of 4 cm. The wick will now resemble a small net.

Pass the nozzle of the balloon through the ring and fill it with cold water. Fill until the balloon fits the net tightly and bulges out between the sections of wick. Position the wick evenly around the balloon.

Knot the nozzle to seal it.

Hold the balloon by this knot and briefly dip the entire structure into the molten wax. Dip to just below the ring. Repeat this dipping process, waiting for every layer of wax to cool. You can gently support the balloon with your other hand while you wait, but do not put it down. This will crack the layer of wax.

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Your hand will therefore have to support the weight of the balloon for the full duration. So don't make it too big and heavy (1 litre = 1 kg).

Once the wax sides are thick enough (after dipping at least 10 times), dip once or twice in orange dipping wax to finish off. Then hold the knotted nozzle of the balloon over a sink and cut it off. Please note: pressure means that the water will spray out. Remove the balloon and carefully pull out the wick sections one by one.

You'll be left with a hollow sphere in the shape of a pumpkin. Insert the appropriate wick and fill the sphere with wax granulate. Pour some liquid wax onto the granules so that they become molten together and compacted.

Tip

You could first dip the top part of the wick in green wax. This will soften the wick so that it can be twirled around a pen or similar object. Pour cold water over it and remove the pen, leaving a green spiral at the end. On the candle, this will resemble a pumpkin stem.

You could also make the pumpkin without using the 'net'. This would give it a plain round shape. You could also use different colours or apply colour to the sphere with a brush instead of dipping it. This will give the surface a unique, natural structure.

- Let your imagination run wild and make a range of different pumpkins.