



DIY Wax Melts



Make DIY wax melts with essential oils and soy wax fill any room in your home with fragrance. Natural, non-toxic materials are perfect for refreshing a room. These homemade wax tarts are lovely home accents and great to freshen up any space of your house. Create any scent, shape or size you want to match your preference or occasion. We also share ideas for essential oil blends and tips for the best scent throw here: <http://chcotta.ge/bl0334>

Instructions

1) Melt the wax

Place the wax in a microwave-safe jug or container and melt in 30-second intervals in the microwave set to medium-high. Stir the melting wax between each interval. Alternatively, put the wax into a heatproof bowl or container and melt over a double boiler.

Tip: It's important not to overheat the wax while melting. Otherwise, the wax melts may show little white specks. Don't worry if this happens, the melts are still good to use.

2) Add the dye and fragrance

Add the dye and stir until entirely incorporated. If the colour doesn't mix, microwave on low for a few seconds. Add the essential oils or fragrance once the wax has cooled to 65°C (150°F) and combine thoroughly. If you want to use different scents and dyes, divide the wax equally between different jugs, and proceed as described.

3) Pour and chill the wax

Slowly stir the wax until it has cooled down to 50°C (125°F). Carefully pour the wax into the cavities of the mould. Let the melts harden in a cool place for several hours or overnight.

Info: I don't recommend putting the cooling the mould in the fridge as cooling down the wax too fast can result in cracks.

4) Release the wax melts from the mould

Once the wax has completely hardened, pop the melts out of the silicone mould.

How to use the wax melts

Heat 2 to 3 wax melts in the tray of a melt warmer. Let the heat melt the wax to diffuse the fragrance into the room. Do not touch the heated wax to avoid burns. If wax remains in the tray after use, wait until the wax is cold and has solidified, then press the wax out of the bowl. Mix and match different melts to create your personal blend. You can also put the wax melts in an organza bag and use it to fragrance a drawer, cupboard, or closet.

Materials

300 g (10 oz) soy wax pellets or flakes (I used EcoSoya Q230 wax)

wax dye (I used a light green wax dye and a pink wax dye)

35 g (1.2 oz) essential oil(s) or fragrance oil(s) of your choice

Tools

digital scale

glass jug

glass stirrer

flower silicone mould

Info

I used EcoSoya Q230 wax to make the wax melts, which is ideal for moulded melts and has a max fragrance load of 18%. My recipe uses 300 g (10 oz) soy wax, which means you can add up to 54 g (1.9 oz) essential of fragrance oil(s). I found that 35 g (1.2 oz) gives a lovely scent throw that is perfect to fragrance your workplace or a small room. However, if you prefer a strong scent throw simply go higher than that. The scent load for other soy waxes (e.g. EcoSoya Advanced wax) usually ranges between 6% to 12%, so make sure to follow the recommendations of the manufacturer.