

Tropical Decorative Ring

Instructions No. 2483

Difficulty: Beginner 

Working time: 3 Hours

Welcome summer and your guests with this tropical decorative ring. The leaves and flowers are made of colour-fast crepe paper. With our template and instructions, you are guaranteed to succeed with this summery idea.

Print out the templates, transfer them to firm cardboard and cut out all the designs.

As it is difficult to make pencil marks on crepe paper, place the solid template on the crepe and then cut around the outside. Important: For the leaves, pay attention to the "grain" of the paper so that the result is as close to nature as possible: this should run diagonally outwards from the centre of the leaf, like the leaf veins on a real leaf.

Using craft glue, glue two halves of each leaf to a piece of paper wire. When dry, stretch the crepe paper into shape using a folding leg. Paint the stem with craft paint and add shading to the surfaces of the leaves.

For the petals, the grain runs from the inside to the outside. For each flower you need 6 petals and a strip (orange) of approx. 1.5 x 3 cm. Cut the orange strip in half several times on one of the long sides and then wrap it around a piece of wire (approx. 15 cm long). Fix the whole thing with some craft glue. This will later be used to make the centre of the flower.

Place the petals around it and fix everything with

florist's tape (this has to be stretched a little so that it sticks). Wrap the tape around the whole wire. Again, use the folding leg to shape the petals a little and accentuate them with craft paint.

When all the leaves and flowers are ready, arrange them roughly on the metal ring. To fix them in place, wrap the complete ring, including the wire ends of the individual parts, with the florist's tape.

For the welcome sign, paint the acrylic disc loosely from the back with a few brush strokes. After drying, you can write on the front with a marker and then attach the whole thing to the ring with perlon tape.