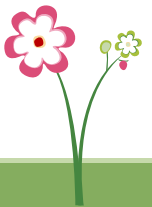


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## MAKING JEWELRY WITH LUXE RESIN



Thank you for purchasing a Luxe Resin Kit! Using resin is an easy and fun way to make beautiful jewelry. Resin makes your surfaces water-proof for a long lasting piece. It's easy and simple and I want everyone to be able to enjoy working with this medium.

### WHAT YOU NEED

Pendant Blanks  
Glamour Seal  
Papers trimmed to fit the pendants  
Luxe Resin parts A & B  
toothpicks  
1 Luxe Doming Resin kit  
2 stir sticks  
2 mixing cups  
paper towels or moist towelettes

Prepare your workspace. Your workspace should be clean and well-ventilated. If you are running a fan, be sure it's not pointed toward you or your work because it will blow lint into your resin. Point the fan away from your work.

Cover your work table with newspaper or other papers. Resin may damage the surface of your workspace, so please protect it.

When Luxe Resin is mixed, it has only about 1 hour of working time. Once mixed, it cannot be stored. It has a minimum volume that must be mixed, and I recommend making all the pendants in the kit at one time, so plan accordingly.

Using Glamour Seal, glue the paper into the pendant, making sure there is no air under the paper. Allow to dry, then completely cover the entire piece of paper with more Glamour Seal. No paper should be exposed. Pay special attention to the gaps between paper and the sides of the pendant. Allow to dry.

Luxe resin mixes best at warmer temps, around 85F degrees. Do not heat the hardener before mixing.

Once the Seal has dried, mix equal parts of A&B and gently stir until the resin is clear. It's OK to add a little more of the hardener, but not the resin. This should only take a few minutes. Avoid agitating too aggressively as this will create bubbles. The smaller the bubbles, the more difficult they are to remove.

### IMPORTANT!

**Once thoroughly mixed, throw out the stir stick without scraping off the excess resin. Pour the mixed resin into a clean cup without scraping the sides of the cup. If you do not follow these steps, your resin may not cure properly. It's better to "waste" a little resin than to ruin the entire project.**

Make sure your pendant is level. You may need to prop it on the side of a box or other flat object. Resin will want to move to the lowest point, so an uneven surface could produce a problem.

Using the new stir stick, apply Luxe Resin by the drop into the pendant tray. Use a toothpick to coax the resin into the corners or sides of the pendant. Cover up to the rim of the pendant but not any higher.

If there are bubbles, you can coax them out with the tooth pick, or brush the surface of the uncured resin with the flame of a lighter. I don't recommend using matches because they are sooty.

Luxe can be cured overnight at room temperature, or may be baked. The cure times when baking are as follows:

6 hours at 95F  
3 hours at 120F  
1 hour at 150F

Do not exceed 150F.

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