Easter Lily By Abby Benner



Supplies:

Silk linen paper 2 sheets (one left white, one painted with Dark Pine Green paint on one side, and Medium Foliage Green on the other)

Tri Petal Punch

Large Lily Leaf Punch

Medium Lily Leaf Punch

White thread (1 foot or so)

Foam pad for shaping

Hat pin

Double balled stylus

1 piece 20 gauge wire (3 inches)

5 pieces 30 gauge wire (2 inches)

Styrofoam block

Tacky glue

Tweezers

Acrylic paint- white, yellow, green (two shades)

Air dry clay

Dried Tea Leaves- for "dirt"

Pot

Colored Foil- for pot cover

Matt acrylic spray

Instructions:

- 1 Paint one sheet of silk linen paper Medium Foliage Green on one side, when dry, paint second side with Dark Pine Green.
- 2 Punch 24 white petals with Large Lily Leaf Punch
- 3 Punch 5 green tri petals
- 4 Punch 40 green leaves with Medium Lily Leaf
- 5 Stiffen thread with tacky glue, and set aside.



Set aside all white petals.



7 - Place all leaves, dark side up, on foam pad and rub with medium balled stylus down center until each leaf is slightly cupped. Set aside.



8 - Place tri petals, dark side down, on foam pad and poke hole through the center with hat pin. Set aside



9 - Cut stiffened thread into $\frac{1}{2}$ inch pieces, and glue 5 pieces to top of 3, 30 gauge wires. Place in Styrofoam black to dry. These are your stamens.

Make two buds as follows:



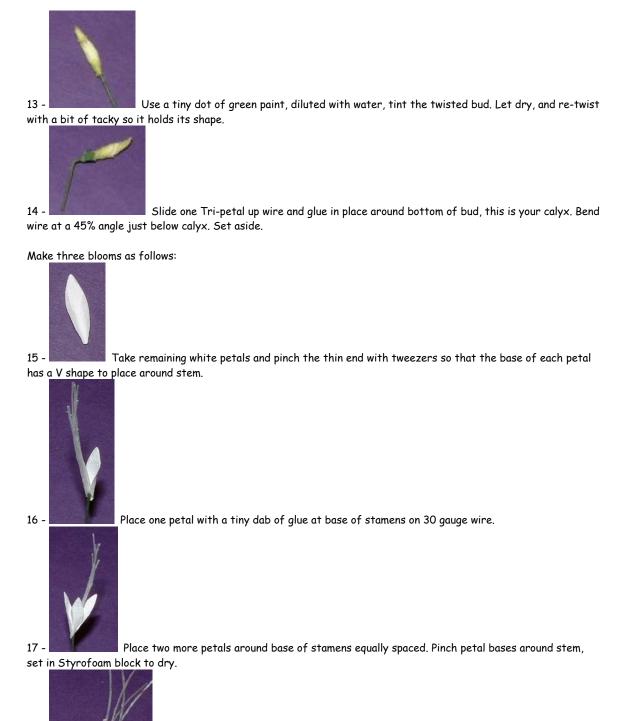
10 - Glue three white petals side by side on remaining 2 pieces of 30 gauge wire. Let dry.



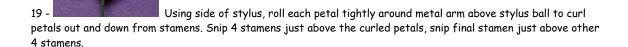
11 - Roll the three petals around wire loosely.



Twist top and bottom of rolled bud in opposite directions until tightly twisted.



18 - When first 3 petals are dry, place three more petals evenly spaced between each of original 3 petals. Pinch base of petals tightly around wire and s et in Styrofoam block to dry.



- 20 Tip each stamen with a dot of glue. Slide tri-petal up stem and glue in place under petals. Let Glue dry, then bend stem at a 45% angle just below calyx. Tip 4 short stamens with white acrylic paint. Tip single tall stamen with yellow acrylic paint. Set aside in Styrofoam block to dry.
- 21 Snip wires of buds so that they are only about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch long. Glue two bud stems on top of 20 gauge wire in placement shown. Let dry in Styrofoam block.
- Snip bloom stems so that they are only about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch long, and glue three blooms between the two bud stems to top of 20 gauge wire as you did with the buds. Use picture for placement. Set in Styrofoam to dry.

- Hold 20 gauge wire with buds and blooms upside down and glue three leaves, dark side out, equally spaced around wire, just below blooms. Place next row of leaves just below first row in same manner, alternating spacing for each leaf. Continue placing rows of leaves down stem, alternating leaf, space, leaf, space, until all leaves are in place. Set in Styrofoam block to dry completely. When dry, spray a light mist of Matt acrylic spray to seal Lily.
- 24 Place a dab of glue in your pot, and roll some air dry clay into a small ball. Press clay into pot until level with rim. Smear glue all over top of clay and press top of pot into tea leaves to form soil. Take your Easter Lily, and dip the bottom of the wire into glue and insert into center of pot. You can tweak the petals and leaves with your tweezers until they look right once the entire project is completed and dry.

Take your colored foil and press around pot, add a bow if you like and you have a lovely Easter Lily!