

Birdbath scene with mosaic

Instructions No. 3585

Difficulty: Advanced 

Working time: [5 Hours](#)

Imagine creating a magical oasis in your garden that is not only an eye-catcher for you, but also provides a refreshing spot for birds. With our detailed step-by-step instructions, you can create a **beautiful bird bath** in the shape of a water lily leaf. This creative craft idea is perfect for letting your imagination run wild while inviting birdlife into your garden. Let's find out together how easy and fulfilling it is to tackle this project!

Bird bath in lily pad design

Step 1: Cut out the template

Start your creative project by downloading and printing our free template. The template will help you to create the perfect lily pad shape. Cut it out carefully so that you can continue working without any problems.

Step 2: Preparing the workspace

To avoid chaos and so that you can concentrate fully on your work, start by protecting your workspace with a wipe-clean surface. This will keep everything clean and tidy.

Step 3: Prepare the soft clay

Take a piece of soft clay and work it with your hands until it is soft and pliable enough to roll out. Roll out the soft clay evenly with a modeling roller to a thickness of about 10 mm.

Step 4: Shape the lily pad

Place the prepared template on the rolled-out soft clay and cut the clay to size using the template. Remove the excess soft clay so that only the desired leaf shape remains.

Step 5: modelling and drying

Gently bend the edges of the lily pad upwards to achieve the typical shape and leave it to dry thoroughly for around 24 hours.

Step 6: Seal with clay sealant

Once the sheet is completely dry, coat it all over with clay sealant. This layer ensures that all pores are closed and makes your work more durable.

Step 7: Decoration with mosaic stones

Now the creative part begins! Apply a thin layer of mosaic adhesive to the surface and leave it to flash off for 10 minutes. Then place mosaic stones on the surface as desired. Use mosaic tongs to cut the tiles into the desired sizes. Let everything dry well.

Step 8: Apply joint filler

Mix some joint filler with water until it reaches a creamy consistency. Apply the mixture with a brush in the spaces between the mosaic stones . Carefully remove any excess joint filler with a damp cloth or sponge and allow the mosaic stones to dry.

Step 9: Protection with joint finish

Now the transparent grout finish comes into play: apply it to the mosaic to ensure that the colors of your mosaic stones remain bright and weather-resistant.

Step 10: Add creative details

Paint the frog with the craft paints and cover the body with "Triangle" glass mosaic glue. If you have painted over pre-drawn lines, you can trace them with a marker .

The mushrooms can also be covered with mosaic stones - make sure that the stones dry on the curves in between.

Step 11: Apply weather protection

Finally, coat the entire bird bath with weatherproofing. This step protects your work of art from the weather and increases its longevity.

Fascinated by the idea of decorating your garden with an artistic bird bath? Visit our online store to order all the materials you need quickly and easily. Let your creativity run wild and create a magical oasis in your garden!

Must Have

[Soft clay, 1.5 kg, Nature](#)

● **5,89 €** (1 kg = 3,93 €)

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[VBS Frog "Froggi"](#)

● **2,29 €**

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Article number	Article name	Qty
13169	Small modelling roller	1
10906	Weatherproofing impregnation100 ml	1
567725-07	POSCA Marker PC-1MCBlack	1
118040	Mosaic joint finish, 100ml	1
130370	Mosaic tongs	1
12052403	VBS Brush assortment "BASIC", set of 5	1
27555	VBS Craft paint set "Pastel"	1
26730	VBS Joint filler, 350 gWhite	1
24256	VBS Modeling tool set	1
22741	VBS Frog "Froggi"	1
110877	Glass mosaic adhesive, 50ml	1
25812	Artdeco glass stone mosaic mixGreen-Tones	1
29179	Glass mosaic "Triangle", colourful mix	1
571135	Clay sealant	1
27019	VBS Wooden mushroom14 cm	1
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511384-01	Soft clay, 1.5 kgNature	1