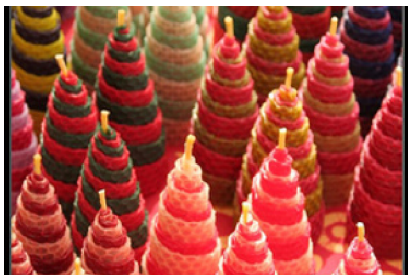


Beeswax Candles

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Decorate the Tree Candle

1. Your electric blow dryer may come in handy here to lightly warm the candle surface so decorative small pieces will stick. Use a low or medium heat setting. Move or shake the blow dryer as you aim the flow of warm air at the candle to avoid overwarming the wax.
2. Cut thin, long strips of yellow wax, or other colors as you'd like, to make garlands for the tree. You can have more than one garland if you want, and of different colors.
3. Wrap and press the strips of wax around the green tree form. In our sample, we pressed the yellow garland strips right up to the edge of one of the rolled sheets.
4. Optional: Use your fingertips to press the garland strips' edges smooth to the surface of the tree.
5. Cut two blue star shapes, and press them back-to-back at the top of the tree.
6. Form little balls of wax from various colors, and press them onto the tree as lights or ornaments.



Trees don't always have to be green!

Make the Santa Candle

1. Repeat the steps for making the tree candle, using the red sheets of wax instead of the green. Unless you'd like your Santa to wear green, that is. It's your choice!
2. Press a small piece of white or yellow onto the red wax, at or near the top of the cone, for Santa's face. Remember light-colored beeswax sheets are translucent, so white will appear pink against the red background.
3. With your scissors, cut a small piece of white into a U-shape to make Santa's beard. The U-shape should be large enough to frame Santa's face. Press it into place. For a more 3-D look, gently roll a strip of white into a tube, and press that into place around the edge of Santa's face.
4. Repeat step 3 with longer strips (or tubes) in your choice of color for fur strips on Santa's coat, or for his belt.
5. Cut a square of yellow (or your color choice) for the belt buckle.
6. Cut FOUR strips of red, about 1/2" wide, for Santa's arms. Each arm will use two strips, for a double thickness.
7. To get extra thickness for Santa's hat, wrap and press strips of red around the top of the candle.
8. Repeat step 3 with a small, thin strip (or tube) for the fur edging on Santa's hat.
9. Add small balls of wax (your color choice!) for Santa's eyes, and a strip or tube for his mouth.

These candles are functional and can be burned.
Never leave a burning candle unattended!