

Make a Water Lily with me...

Cutters For Clay

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1. Roll out your clay to 7mm thick then cut a circle of clay the size of the base of a paper plate. You will need this paper plate to help shape your water lily



2. Cut out lots of petals (we needed 34 for this water lily) and add texture as you wish. Here we've added lines using a needle tool

3. Score and paint slip on the outer edge of the circle and begin attaching petals, resting them up the edge of the paper plate. Use your thumb to blend the end of each petal into the base



4. Repeat this process until you have your first full row of petals





5. Score and paint on more slip then start your second row of petals. Make sure to add your petals in the gaps of the petals from the first row and slightly overlap the petals



6. Continue to complete your second row of petals...it should look something like this

7. Add your final row of petals, they should join and blend in the middle like this...



8. Cut several thin pieces of clay to make the middle of your water lily





9. Roll these pieces of clay into thin sausage shapes of different lengths and group together



11. Stand up the middle of the water lily and make sure you're happy with the size, then score the base



10. Cut off the end to give a flattened base



12. Score and paint slip on the middle of your water lily and firm your center in place. Pull the sausage of clay apart and shape as you wish



13. Gently curl up and shape the petals as you wish



14. Roll out more clay to 7mm thick.
Add texture if you want before cutting out a lily pad



15. Use scrunched up pieces of kitchen roll between the petals to help them keep their shape while they dry



16. Score and slip the base of the water lily and the lily pad, or fire separately if you'd prefer. Ta-dah!



