



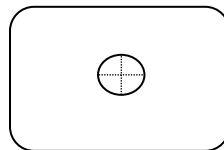
How To: *Make Poinsettia Flowers from milk containers*

- Materials:**
- Scissors
 - 1 plastic milk container – either one or two litre – for each flower
 - Ribbon or wire to fasten
 - Shatterproof gold baubles for centre
 - Waterproof paint, if required
 - Glue

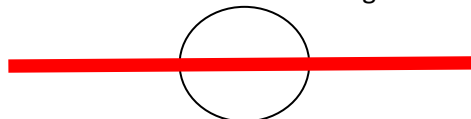


Steps:

1. Remove the label from the milk container and take off the screw cap
2. Cut across the middle of the container, just below the handle so that the bottom section is taller than the top section.
3. Make six slits in the bottom part towards the base and then shape those sections into six broad petal shapes. Bend down the petals, (you may need to cut deeper slots)
4. Take the top part and do the same, after cutting off the handle.
5. Squeeze the bottom of the bottle and make an incision to cut a circle in the centre which is big enough for the neck of the bottle to fit through.



6. Insert the top bit into the bottom, pushing the screw neck through the hole.
7. Trap a strip of ribbon across the screw neck to make fastening and then tightly screw on the top with a dab of glue to secure.



8. Paint the petals if needed, and glue a shatter proof, gold bauble into the centre. You could cut a slit in the lid and push the hanger loop of the bauble through it to completely secure all together.



Ideas: Spiral round tree trunks, hang from branches, tie to evergreen bushes, tie to lamp posts and railings

Things to bear in mind when decorating the town: people safety, wind, rain, possibility of vandalism

