Lantern bats

Instructions No. 3426

Difficulty: Beginner

Working time: 3 Hours

Halloween is just around the corner and there's hardly anything better than homemade decorations to spice up the atmosphere. Why not make an original **bat lantern**? These are easy to make and provide atmospheric lighting on a spooky evening. Whether for the home, the front garden or the **lantern walk** - the bat lantern is a real eye-catcher and can be customized. Let your creativity run wild and bring a little magic to the dark autumn nights.







Design a captivating bat lantern: simple and creative for your Halloween decorations or for lantern walking

1. **Cut out the templates** Start by cutting out the templates for the wings, paws and ears twice from photo cardboard. For the ears, make sure to remove the inside as well, this will allow the light to shine through.
2. **vellum paper prepare** Cut the vellum paper in your desired color to the desired length. Then glue two strips of photo card to the top and bottom of the paper. These strips will later be used to conceal the lantern blank and give the lantern more stability.
3. **Wrap the l** antern blank Now glue the photo cardboard around the lantern blank. Make sure that everything sticks well. Then stick some vellum paper behind the cut-out ears so that they glow nicely in the dark.

4. **Designing the bat's head** Now it's time to get creative: draw a cute face on the bat's head. Add wobbly eyes to give it character. For the teeth, use some shiny Paper, to give the bat a creepy smile.
5. **Paws and claws** Now glue the "toes" onto the bat's paws. Cut claws out of glowing Paper and attach them carefully.
6. **Building the body** Now it's time to glue the ears behind the head and attach the whole thing to the lantern blank. The feet are also glued securely to the blank so that the bat is stable.
7. **Fold and attach the wings** Trace the inner lines on the wings and fold them centimetre by centimetre to create a three-dimensional effect. Now attach the folded wings to the side of the lantern.
8. **Detail finishing** Punch out small stars from luminous Paper and glue them to the vellum paper of the lantern. This will give your lantern a special effect.
9. **Attaching the lantern bracket** Using a awl , carefully poke a hole in the top of the lantern blank. Attach the lantern bracket here - and your bat lantern is ready for use!

Get started now and get creative!

Your eerily beautiful bat lantern is ready to carry the light into the darkness. You'll find everything you need for this project in our materials list and in the online store. Be inspired and discover lots more craft ideas for Halloween and other festive occasions. Start your crafting adventure now and bring autumn magic into your home!

Must Have



Lantern bases/lids "Small", 10 pairs

Content: 10 pieces
Diameter (outside): 11 cm
Material: Paper

4,59 €

Item details

Quantity: − 1 + Add to cart



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860147	Lantern bases/lids "Small", 10 pairs	1
622325	Wobbly eyes-Mix, photoluminescent	1
700184	VBS Wire lantern hanger, 10 pieces	1
706841-34	vellum paperBlue	1
706667-90	Coloured paperBlack	1
544351	VBS Magnet puncher "Stars"	1
703635-21	Vellum paper extra strongPink	1
111065	VBS Handicraft glue80 ml	1
671637	Awl	1
706841-51	vellum paperLight green	1