



Molding Supplies

Scrap Clay

Embossing Tools (optional)

Paper Pattern

Old Ball Point Pen or Ball Stylus

Cloisonné Molds - Fun to Make!

1. On paper, create a design to your liking. A Valentine heart was used for this project. It works best if you use thick, bold lines!



2. Trace your design onto a PM1 sheet of polymer clay (scrap clay is great for this project!)



3. Remove the pattern. Use tools that will work best to touch up your design in the clay. You want a clean smooth impression.
4. When you are satisfied with your impression, bake the mold following the clay package instructions.

Tips

For tracing and touch up, a ball stylus works great. If you don't have one, use a dried up ball point pen.

Make the impression fairly deep. You need to make a nice impression in your clay with this mold. This mold needs to make a design that sticks up high enough to form walls for the liquid clay to fill into.

The photo below shows the original mold in brown used to make the beginning of a cloisonné pin in green clay.



Instructions for using the mold to make a pin are continued on the next page...

Pin Supplies

Scrap Clay
Craft Knife
Soft Brush
Silver Mica Powder
Roller
Cloisonné Mold

Cloisonné Pin

1. Secure your mold to your work surface. Spray or dust it with a release agent.
2. Lay a piece of PM1 clay on your mold.
3. Using a roller, press the clay into the mold making an impression.
4. Carefully pull the piece of clay off the mold.
5. Check to see if you made a good impression. If not, roll the clay up and try again.
6. When you are happy with the piece, use a craft knife to carefully trim around your design.
7. Brush the piece with silver powder. Tip: It doesn't take much powder to cover the piece. For a different look use black clay or mica powder instead of silver to give the finished piece a stained glass look.



8. Bake your piece following your clay package directions. When it is cooled, you are ready to "paint with clay".

Painting and Finishing Supplies

Toothpick

Liquid Clay (Translucent Liquid Sculpey (TLS) was used for this project)

Oil Paints or Mica Powders in desired colors

Pin Back or Tie Tack Pin



Painting your Pin

1. Mix oil paint or mica powders with liquid clay to make different “clay paints”.
2. Using a toothpick or needle, carefully paint the piece.



3. Bake for 10 minutes according to clay package directions.

Finish your piece by attaching a pin back or tie tack pin to the back of your piece using clay. Bake 10 minutes.

Varnish if desired.

Thank you Mikey Krajnak for the great photos and instructions for this fun project!

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