

**Category: Crafts****Sub-Category: Home Decor****Skill Level: Intermediate****Time Required: 2 days**

## Materials

Midwest Products Co., Inc.

- Super Sheets Clear, Colored PVC - Yellow (Stock #704-01)
- Super Sheets Clear, Colored PVC - Green (Stock #704-05)
- 1/64" x 12" x 24" Birch Plywood (Stock #5240)
- 3mm x 11-1/2" x 11-1/2" Cellfoam 88 (Stock #5920)
- 5mm x 11-1/2" x 11-1/2" Cellfoam 88 (Stock #5921)
- Super Sander – Fine Grit (Stock #1130)
- Hobby & Craft Ruler (Stock #1125)

Royal Brushes

Available through 800-247-2211; [www.royalbrush.com](http://www.royalbrush.com)

- # 70 – 1/2" SG Golden Taklon Glaze Wash
- #250 – 3 SG Golden Taklon Round
- #650 - 3/8" SG Golden Taklon Deerfoot

DecoArt®

Available through 800-367-3047; [www.decoart.com](http://www.decoart.com)

Americana Acrylics

- Antique Gold 09
- Dark Chocolate 065
- Forest Green 050
- Light Buttermilk 164
- Moon Yellow 07
- Raw Umber 130

- Matt Sealer/Finisher DAS13

Beacon Adhesives

Available through 800-865-7238, [www.beaconcreates.com](http://www.beaconcreates.com)

- Kid's Choice Glue

Miscellaneous Supplies

- 4-1/4" Round Paper Mache Box
- Fine Point Permanent Marker
- Clothes Pins – spring style – 4
- Rubber Bands – 2 to 4
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Craft Knife
- Self Healing Mat

## Instructions

Base Coat Box

- 1. Using the 1/2" Wash Brush, basecoat the box lid (inside and outside) and box base (inside only) Light Buttermilk, let dry. With scissors cut eight slits, evenly spaced, around edge of box lid. This will allow the box lid to fit over top of the box base after the Birch Plywood is applied.

Cover Box Base

- 2. With the Hobby & Craft Ruler and pencil, measure a 2 5/8" wide by 12" long rectangle and a 2 5/8" wide by 2" long rectangle on the Birch Plywood. Cut out with scissors. Sand any rough edges with the Super Sander. Apply Kids Choice Glue to the back of both rectangles of Birch Plywood. Starting with larger rectangle, apply the Birch Plywood around the exterior of the base of the box. Secure with a clothespin on either end. Apply smaller rectangle to the space that is left and secure ends with clothespins. Stretch several rubber bands around the base of the box and set aside to dry overnight.

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### Flower Petals

- ❑ 3. Using the petal pattern provided and a fine point permanent marker, trace 28-30 petals on the Yellow Styrene. Cut out all petals with scissors. Lay out all petals on a clean work surface. Using the #3 Round Brush, paint three shadow lines on each petal with Moon Yellow (refer to petal pattern for placement). Allow to dry completely.

### Flower Leaf Border

- ❑ 4. Trace the leaf border pattern provided with a fine point permanent marker on the Green Styrene. Cut out with scissors. Using the #3 Round Brush, paint the shadow lines on the leaf border with Forest Green (refer to leaf border pattern for placement). Allow to dry completely.

### Sunflower Center

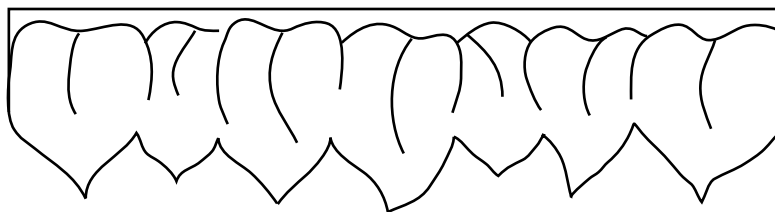
- ❑ 5. Using the flower center patterns provided, cut one small flower center from the 3mm Cellfoam with a craft knife on a self healing mat. Cut one large flower center from the 5mm Cellfoam with a craft knife on a self healing mat. Use Super Sander to smooth any rough edges. Basecoat both flower centers (tops and edges) with Raw Umber using the 1/2" Wash Brush, let dry. Apply a second coat if necessary. Stipple the surface of both flower centers with Dark Chocolate using the 3/8" Deerfoot Brush, let dry. Stipple the edge of both flower centers VERY LIGHTLY with Light Buttermilk using the 3/8" Deerfoot Brush, let dry. Using the end of a paint brush dipped in the Moon Yellow, make the dots on the surface of both flower centers, let dry. Refer to photo for placement.

### Assembly

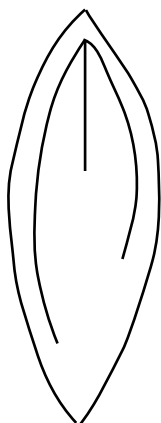
- ❑ 6. Remove rubber bands and clothes pins from box base. Fit box lid on base, loosely. Apply Kids Choice Glue to the back of the Green Styrene leaf border and wrap around the box lid. Secure the ends with a clothes pin and several rubber bands. Apply Kids Choice Glue to the back of each Yellow Styrene petal as you place them on the top of the box lid. Begin at the 12:00, 3:00, 6:00 and 9:00 clock positions. Allow each petal to hang off the edge of the box approximately 1/8". Continue to apply Yellow Styrene petals until the entire box lid is covered. Refer to photo for placement. With the Kids Choice Glue, adhere the large flower center to the center of the box lid and adhere the small flower center to the large flower center, let all glue dry at least one hour. Refer to photo for placement.

### Finishing

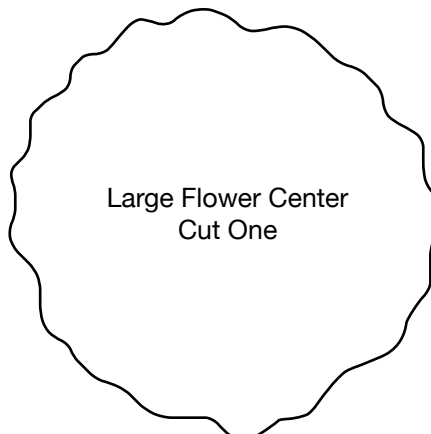
- ❑ 7. Spray two thin coats of Matt Sealer/Finisher on outside base of box, let dry between coats.



Leaf Border - Trace Four Times - Cut One



Petal  
Cut 28 - 30



Large Flower Center  
Cut One



Small Flower  
Center  
Cut One