

HOLIDAY LANTERN ORNAMENT

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- FREE PATTERN**
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- TRACING PAPER OR RAWHIDE**
3500-10
- DRIVE PUNCHES**
#2 (3777-02), #6 (3777-06),
#9 (3777-09)
- VEG-TAN LEATHER**
4-6 OZ & 7-8 OZ
- ECO-FLO® LEATHER DYE (BLACK)**
2600-01
- ANGELUS® PAINT (PEWTER)**
2812-93
- FIEBING'S LEATHER SHEEN
ACRYLIC SPRAY**
2205-00
- ANGELUS® PAINT BRUSH SET**
2812-06
- WOOL DUABERS**
3445-00
- BLACK CARRIAGE
HAND-SEWING THREAD**
1226-01
- STITCHING NEEDLES**
1195-00
- PRECISION CRAFT KNIFE**
3031-00
- CRAFTOOL® 4-PRONG
STITCHING CHISEL**
88046-04
- WAXED BRAIDED CORD (RED)**
11210-07
- IF USING RAWHIDE
SMALL RAPID RIVETS
1271-
- IF USING TRACING FILM
EXTRA SMALL RAPID RIVETS
1278-

*Light up the holiday season
with a rustic leather lantern!*

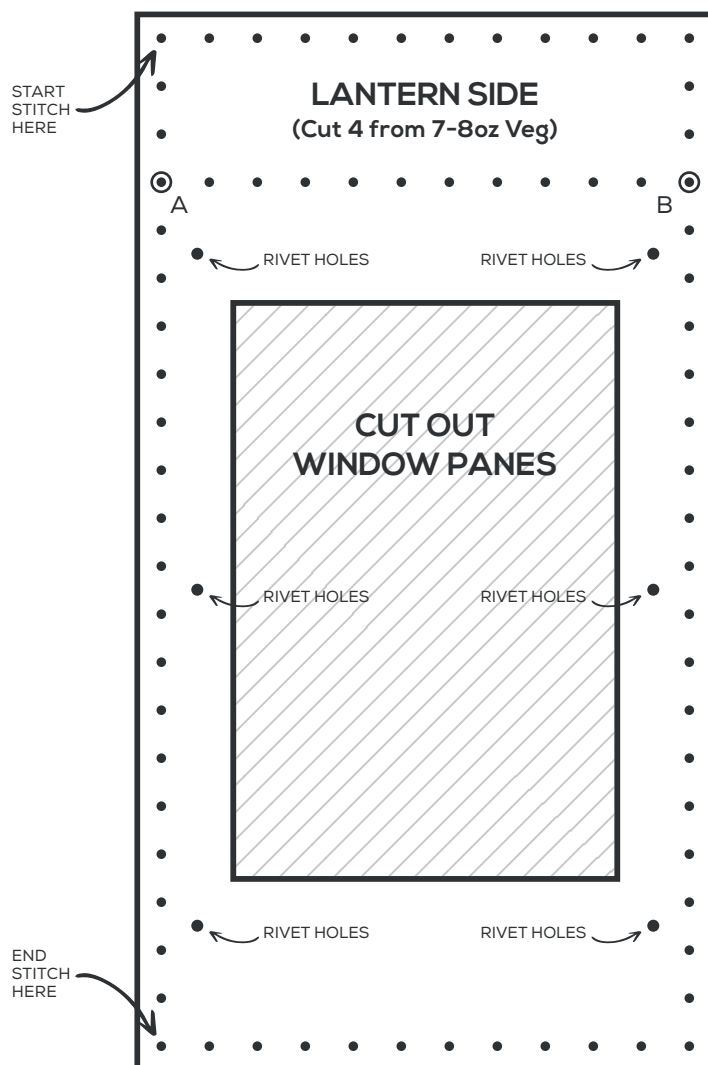
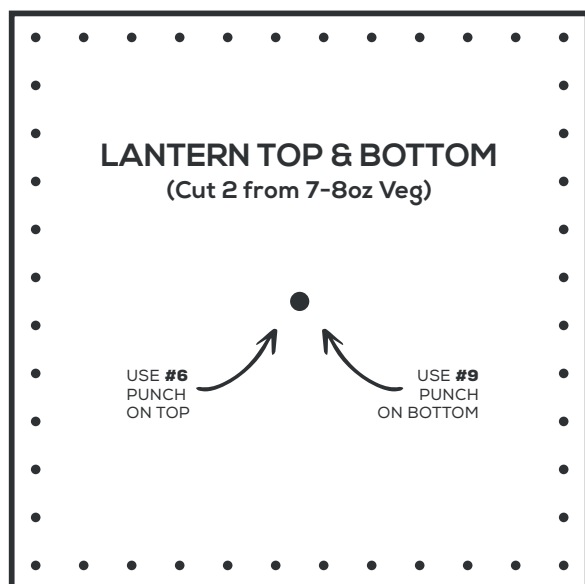
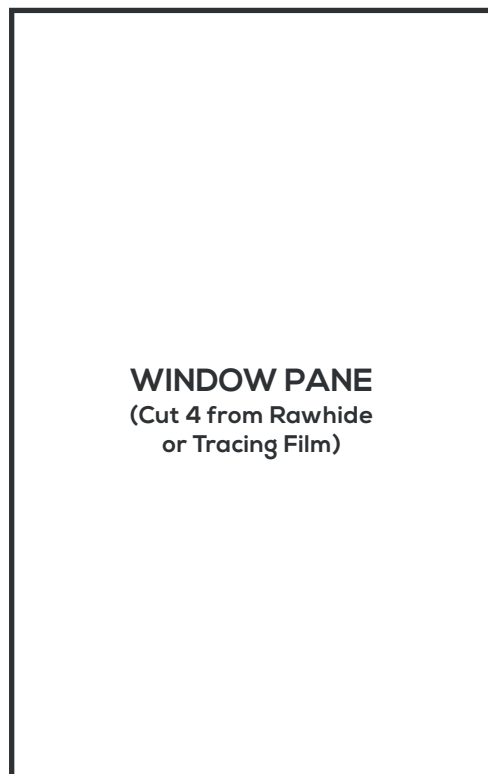
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HOLIDAY LANTERN ORNAMENT INSTRUCTIONS

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STEP 1: TRANSFER THE PATTERN

Your first step is to transfer your pattern to your leather. Trace the pattern onto some tracing film, case your leather, and trace the pattern onto your leather.

STEP 2: PUNCH YOUR HOLES

Using a Craftool® 4-Prong Stitching Chisel (4mm), punch all the stitching holes as marked on the pattern. Punch your rivet holes with the #2 Drive Punch, the top hole (for the lace) with a #6 Drive Punch, and the bottom hole (for inserting the mini light) with a #9 Drive Punch.



STEP 3: CUT OUT THE PIECES

Cut out the pieces using a craft knife. Use a cork back ruler for cutting straight lines.



STEP 4: DYE PIECES

Using a Wool Dauber, apply dye to the tops and edges of your cut out leather pieces. You do not need to dye the back of the leather. Leaving it natural will help reflect any light that you put inside.



STEP 5: LIGHTLY PAINT THE PIECES

Using Angelus® Pewter Paint, lightly paint over the black dye. It doesn't matter if it's streaky, that will add a distressed look to the lantern.



STEP 6: APPLY FINISH

Use your favorite finish to put on a topcoat on the leather.

STEP 7: RIVET ON WINDOWPANES

Once the leather is dry, rivet the windowpanes onto the leather. If you use tracing film, you may find it easier to use a thin piece of double-sided tape to hold it in place as you set the rivets.

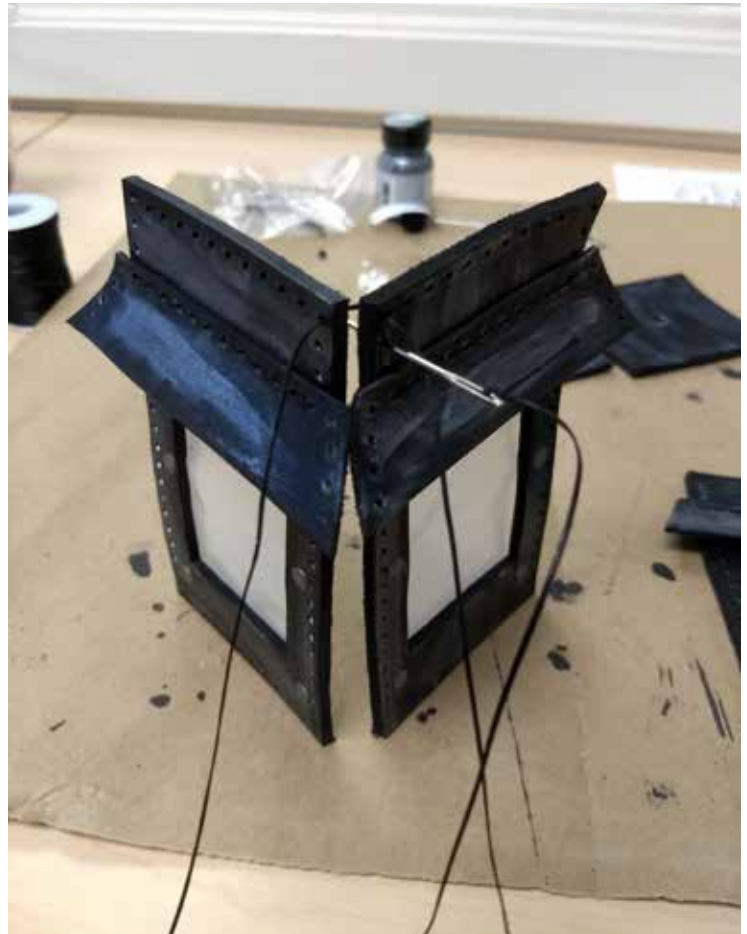


STEP 8: SADDLE-STITCH ON SHADE

Using a saddle-stitch, sew the lantern shades onto the face of the lantern. The pattern shows which holes go together with letters. Backstitch a few stitches to make sure your stitches don't come undone. You will have an extra hole on each end. This is intentional and is used for sewing the shades together in the next step.

STEP 9: SEW LANTERN SIDES

Sew the sides, starting at the top and working your way down. I used a stitch similar to a shoelace pattern where you have a line of X's going down the corner of the lantern. I had two needles, one on each end. Once you get to the bottom, tie it off on the inside of the lantern. Do the same with sewing the shades of the lantern together.



STEP 10: ATTACH CORD FOR HANGING

Loop Wax Braided Cord to the desired length and tie off the end. Feed it through the top of the lantern and tie it again so the cord won't fall inside the lantern.



STEP 11: SEW TOP AND BOTTOM

Using a whip-stitch, sew the top and the bottom of the lantern on then tuck the thread and cut it down.



**STEP 12: ENJOY YOUR NEW LANTERN
ORNAMENT OR GIVE IT AS A GIFT!**



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