

Lantern Making with recycled paper



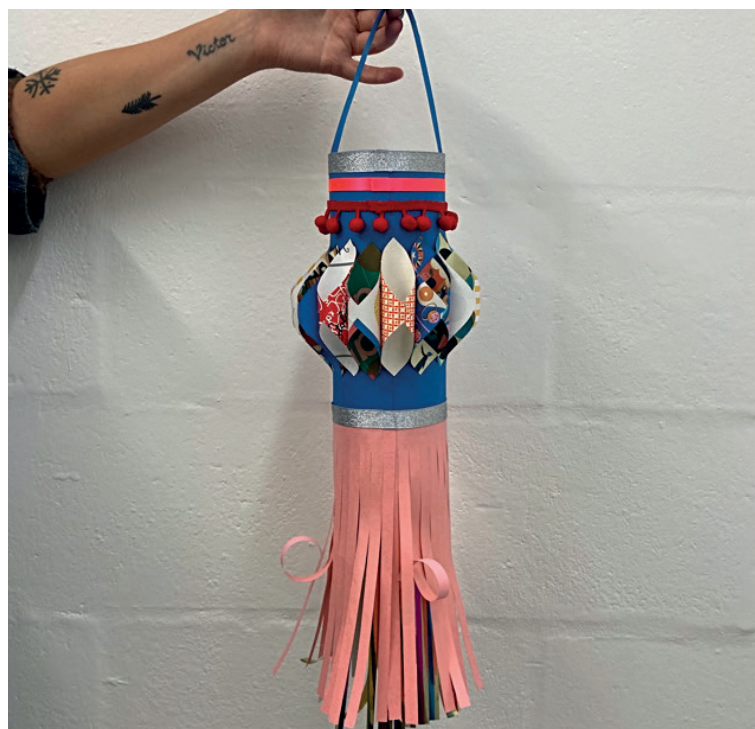
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An Akash Kandil is a lantern, usually made with a wooden framework and covered in coloured matte or glossy papers. These lanterns are generally hung in front of homes during the Hindu festival of lights, Diwali.

We thought they would make nice Christmas decorations too. In this video, we will show you how to make one at home with collected gift wrap, recycled from received gifts and other colourful papers discarded at Christmas.



Materials

- Collected gift wrap or other papers - choose the sturdiest paper for the construction of the lantern.
- Recycled ribbon, trim, lametta or bows
- Double sided tape or glue
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Recycled lid (ideally from an ice cream tub)
- Led tealight



Instructions

Step 1. Measure around the lid and cut three pieces of paper 1cm wider than this measurement (so the paper overlaps when wrapped around the lid) and approx 25cm in height.

Step 2. Make some holes in the lid. Use a pencil and some plasticine or playdough underneath. This will allow more light to shine through the bottom.

Step 3. From the three pieces cut earlier choose one for the base of your lantern, top tip is to use the sturdiest paper. Add a strip of tape to one side of the paper and to the circumference of the lid. Attach the paper around the lid and secure it.

Step 4. To make the paper tubes to decorate around the

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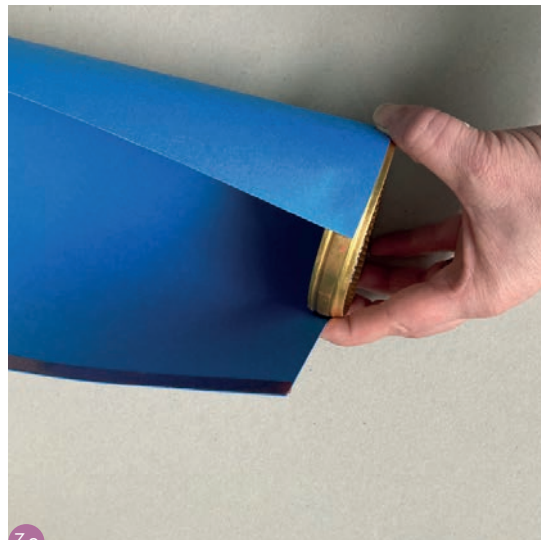
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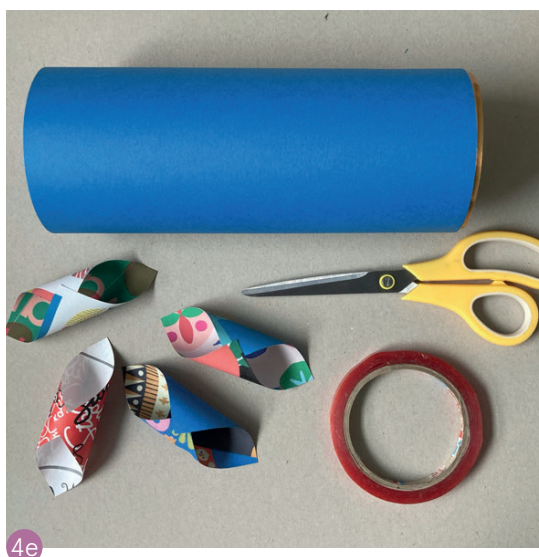
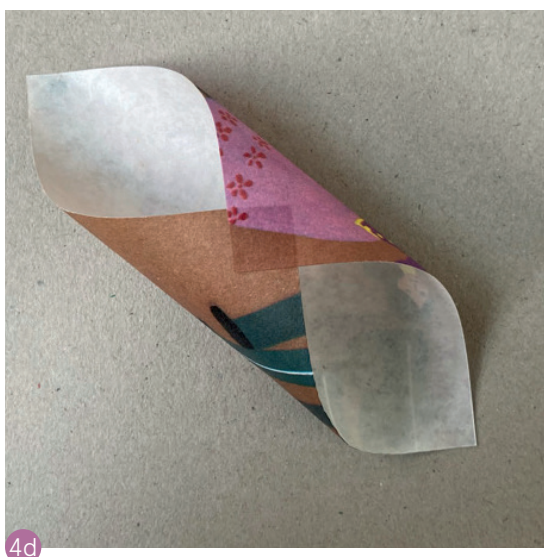
lantern; cut out 13 squares approx 8cm x 8cm in different patterned papers. Add a small piece of tape to one corner and attach to the other opposite diagonal corner. This makes a small tube shape. Repeat with all the squares and attach, around the lantern, remembering to measure up from the bottom to keep level. Too tip; place the second tube opposite the first one and then the third in the middle of these two, adding the fourth opposite that - this will make the tubes evenly spaced.

Step 5. Take the remaining two sheets and measure along

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1cm leaving a 2cm gap at the top. Cut the guidelines you made to create separate strips all the way along stopping at the 2cm line at the top to keep it connected.

Step 6. Add these 'tassels' to the bottom of your lantern. Cover with ribbon or similar using double sided tape.

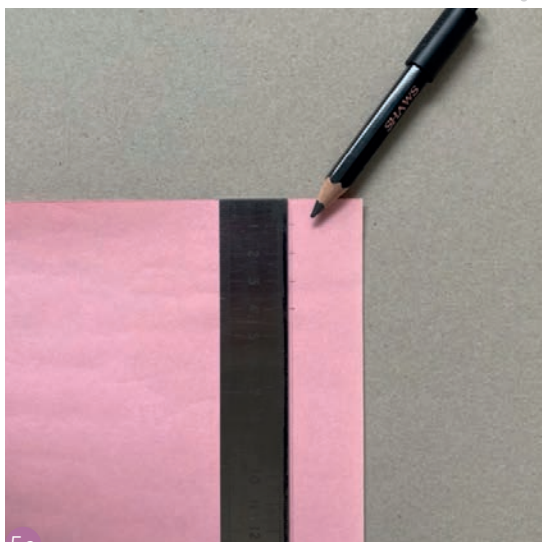
Step 7. Cut out a strip of paper, approx 2cm x 20cm and attach to the inside of your lantern at the top to create a handle. Add any stickers or other decor.

Step 8. Place an LED tealight and hang up!

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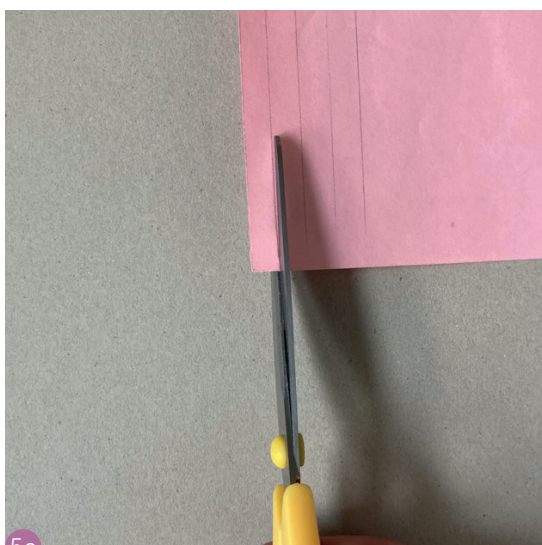
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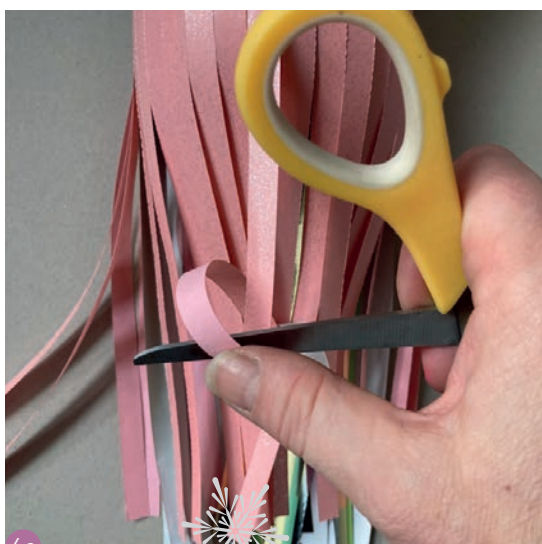
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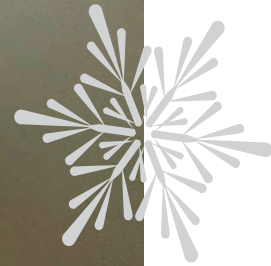
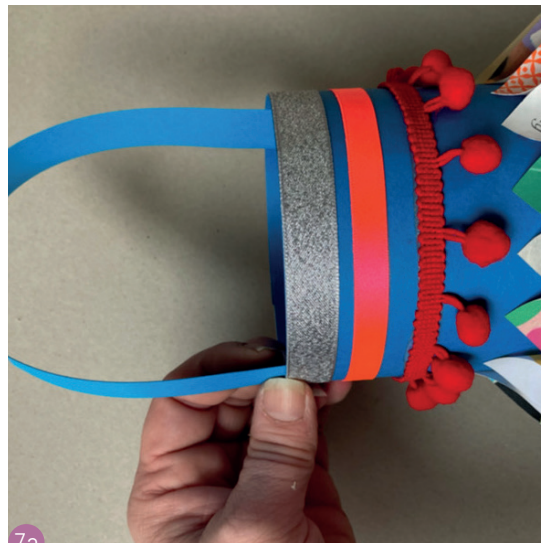


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