

Paper Blossoms

Mold Paper to Create 3D Realistic Flowers

How To Make a Hibiscus

Punch
Shape
Assemble

Hibiscus Supplies

Punches:

- 1 shape from Floriano 64002 in Candlelight
- 1 shape from Starflower 64005 in Safari
- 2-5 shapes from Birch Leaf 64502 in Safari
- 2 inch Punchline 53200 - 1/16" hole

Tools:

- Paper Tool Kit and Case 65800
- Craft Molding Mat 65900

Additional:

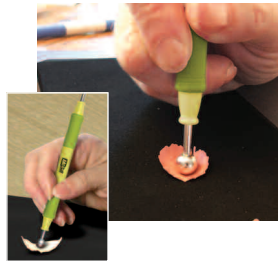
- Candlelight and Safari Cardstock (Bazzill Basics)
- Terra Cotta Adirondack Ink pad (Ranger)
- Ink Applicator (Ranger)
- Dark Red Colored Pencil
- Citrus Crush Flower Soft (Flower Soft)
- Covered Floral Wire
- Wire Cutters
- Fabri Tac Glue (Beacon Adhesives)
- Detail Scissors
- Non-stick Craft Mat or Scrap Paper



*Photo images are for technique demonstration only.
Flower petals may not match this project.*

Technique #1 – Shaping

Place a punched shape on the Craft Molding Mat (McGill #65900) and press down with the large 8mm ball stylus. (McGill Paper Tool Kit #65800) Move stylus around in small circular motions to soften card stock, making it easier to manipulate. The paper will curl.



Technique #2 – Pinching

Center the Tweezers, (McGill Paper Tool Kit #65800), over the narrow end of the shape. With thumb and index finger, gradually pinch the paper around the tweezers. This prepares petal for attaching to the flower base.



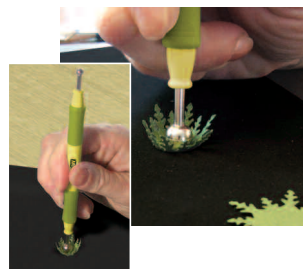
Technique #3 – Bending

Hold the pinched end of the shape between finger and thumb. Use the Tweezers to grasp the side of the shape and roll it back to form the natural curve of a petal. Repeat on other side to complete petal.



Technique #4 – Cupping

With the shape on the mat, use the 8mm stylus (or smaller, if shape is small) placed at a 90° angle to the paper. Press down and roll the stylus around in the center of the shape until it cups up. Cupping creates the flower base that petals attach to in the assembly of the flower.



Hibiscus Assembly

(Techniques described at left)

Cut the Floriano shape into 5 separate petals. Using the Ink applicator, rub Terra Cotta ink onto the edges and base of the shapes. With the colored pencil, draw thin lines radiating out from the base of each petal shape.

Place Floriano petal shapes onto the Craft Molding Mat. Follow Techniques #1, #2, #3 to shape the petals. Set aside.

Next, place the Starflower shape on the Craft Molding Mat. Follow Technique #4 to form a cup that becomes the base to attach petals and leaves.

Place a spot of glue on scrap paper or a non-stick craft mat. Dip the narrow end of the Floriano petals into glue and adhere to the cupped Starflower arms. [Add glue in small amounts as needed.

Caution: Don't use glue on or over the Craft Molding Mat. It needs to stay clean and dry.]

Cut a 2" length of flower wire and add glue to approx. 1/2" of the tip. Sprinkle Flower Soft with your fingers onto the end of the wire. Let the glue dry fully.

Punch a 1/16" hole in the center of the flower. Insert flower soft wire into the center to create the unique Hibiscus stamen.

Place Birch Leaf shapes on the Craft Molding mat. Follow Technique #1 to form the leaves. Use the 1mm stylus to add thin veining details to each leaf.

Glue leaves around the flower to complete the Hibiscus.



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