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SHRINK ART CHARM - SAKURA

SUPPLIES & TOOLS

- Shrink Plastic sheet #30240736
- 3-inch Sakura Punch #30245178
- We R Crop-a-dile Multi Hole Punch #30208986
- Heat Tool #30221869
- Shrink Plastic Tool kit #30240735
- Colored Pencil - pink colors
- X-Fine Pt DecoColor Paint Marker - Gold #77659565
- LED & UV Super Resin #30203704
- LED & UV Resin Lamp #30223921
- Toothpick or similar to help spread resin
- Jewelry findings for finishing - ball chain keyring, jump rings, cell phone strap etc. for a charm or pin back for pin
- **Optional:** Sandpaper if shrink plastic is not pre-sanded



NOTE: The We R Multi Hole Punch is used because it is a heavy-duty punch that easily cuts through the shrink plastic.

INSTRUCTIONS



1. **NOTE:** Sand shrink plastic if it is not pre-sanded. This will allow the colored pencil to adhere better to the shrink plastic.

Use the punch to cut out a Sakura shape.

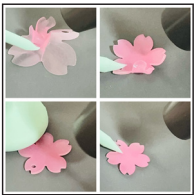


2. At the top of one petal, punch a 1/4-inch hole if you are making a charm to hang.

If you are making a pin, you won't need to punch a hole.



3. Use the colored pencil to color the shape. The color will get darker and more intense when the plastic shrinks.



4. Use the heat tools to shrink the piece, according to the manufacturer's instructions.

The plastic will get smaller and thicker. The color will also intensify.



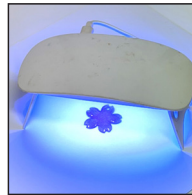
5. Use the gold paint marker to add the dot details of the flower center. Add short lines if you like.

Let dry for a few minutes.



6. Add a thin layer of resin to the top of the piece. Make sure you keep the resin out of the 1/4-inch hole you punched.

Spread resin evenly and to the edge of the piece.



7. Place resin covered piece under the curing lamp.

The lamps usually have an automatic timer. Cure at least 2-3 times.

Touch test to see if piece has hardened. If it is still slightly tacky, cure a few more times.

NOTE: Resin curing times depends on how thick of a resin layer you added.



8. Once the resin has hardened, you can remove the piece from the lamp.

Slip the ball chain key chain or other findings through the hole so you can attach your charm to something.

