

# LESSON SEVEN

## CREPE PAPER MONSTERA



### TOOLS & MATERIALS

#### TOOLS

- CUTTING MACHINE *(optional)*
- CRAFT SCISSORS
- DETAIL SCISSORS
- WIRE CUTTERS
- CURLING TOOL
- PAINTBRUSH
- BRAYER

#### MATERIALS

- DOUBLE-SIDED CREPE PAPER  
*- Ferns & Moss*
- EXTRA-FINE CREPE PAPER *- Juniper*  
OR FLORAL TAPE *- Pine*
- 18-GAUGE FLORAL WIRE
- BIND WIRE - BROWN
- BARELY ART GLUE
- MOD PODGE

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- 1 Cut out the monstera leaves from the Ferns & Moss Double-Sided Crepe Paper using the provided PDF template and scissors or the SVG file and a cutting machine with a rotary blade. The template has you cut enough pieces to make 6 leaves. You can always cut more to make a fuller plant!



- 2 Use the Stem Wrap Guide in the PDF Template to cut a strip of Juniper extra-fine crepe paper or grab your pine floral tape.



- 3 Lay a 12" 18-gauge wire on one leaf half, the tip of the wire should be about 1/2" below the tip of the leaf. With your finger mark the bottom of the leaf on the wire. This is where you will begin wrapping the wire with crepe paper, leaving the upper portion of wire that is laying on the leaf without a crepe paper wrap.



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- ④ Apply white glue to the wire below the leaf.



- ⑤ Wrap the wire with a strip of juniper crepe paper. Wrap over this portion of wire 3 times to thicken the wire.



- ⑥ Apply glue to one leaf half.



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- ⑦ Lay the unwrapped portion of wire on the glue, then apply glue on top of the wire.



- ⑧ Lay the second leaf half over the wire, be sure to line up the tip and base of the leaves.



- ⑨ Repeat steps 3 - 8 with all 6 leaves.



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- ⑩ Cut six 6" pieces of bind wire for your small leaves (C). Cut twelve 7" pieces of bind wire for your medium leaves (B). And cut fourteen 9" pieces of bind wire for your large leaves (A).



- ⑪ For the large leaf (A) draw a line of glue from the tip of one finger up to the center, then across to the other finger.



- ⑫ Lay a 9" bind wire over the line of glue. Then cut off the excess bind wire. (see graphic below for Leaf A wire frame)



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- 13 When adding the bind wire be sure you are not laying any wire over the holes in the leaf.



- 14 Add all wires to leaves A and B.  
(see graphic below for Leaf B wire frame)



- 15 Add wires to the small leaf (C).  
(see graphic below for Leaf C wire frame)



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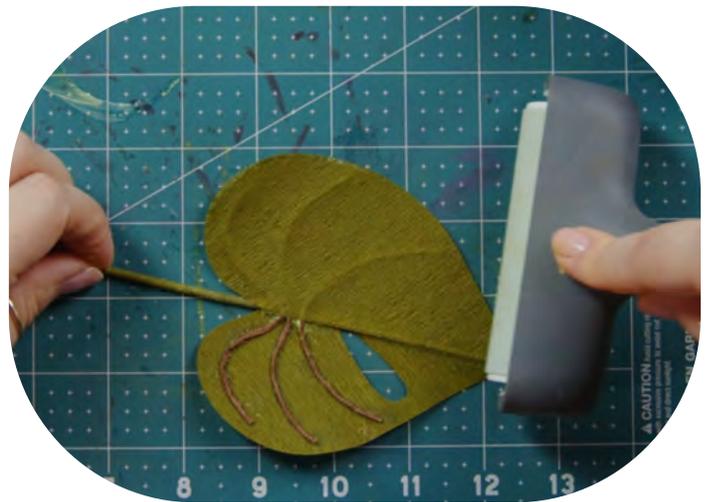
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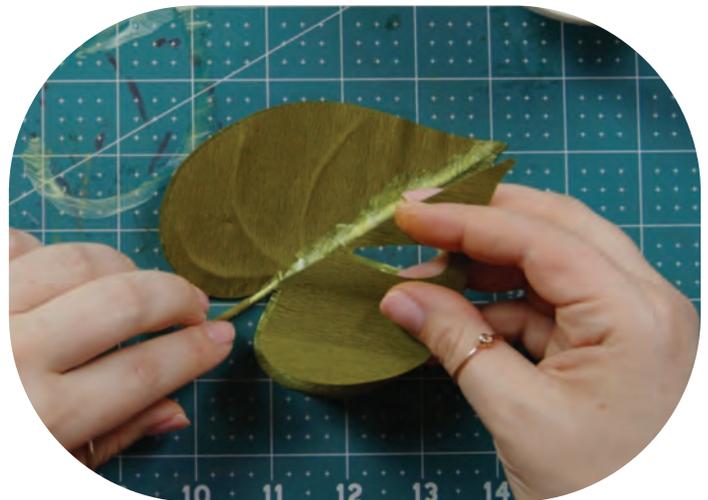
- 16 Apply mod podge covering all of one side of the leaf and wires.



- 17 Place the matching leaf half over the mod podge lining up the leaves the best you can. Use a brayer to press the crepe paper together.



- 18 Apply mod podge to the other side of the leaf and place the second matching leaf half lining up the leaves the best you can. Use a brayer to press the crepe paper together.



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- 19 Repeat steps 16 - 18 with all 6 leaves. For the larger leaves you may need to work in smaller section with the mod podge to avoid it drying to much before laying the leaf half on. Don't worry to much about lining everything up perfectly!



- 20 Using your scissors cut around each leaf trimming off any crepe paper that did not line up to get a nice smooth edge.



- 21 Apply a light coat of mod podge all over the surface of each leaf. Once the mod podge has dried flip the leaf over and apply it to the opposite side.



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- 22 Once the mod podge has fully dried we will shape the leaves. First fold the leaf in half around the center wire.



- 23 Open the leaf back up, Use a curling tool to curl the edges and fingers of the leaves down.



- 24 To finish you can place your monstera stems in the pot you prepared in Lesson 3. I like to place the smaller leave in the center and a bit higher than the larger leaves which i place lower and draping down around the pot.

