Cast decorative vase with gold leaf

Instructions No. 4023

Difficulty: Beginner

Working time: 1 hour 30 Minutes

With this silicone mold, you can create a modern, striped vase with clean, straight lines. When casting with KeraHobby, you'll have a decorative home accessory in no time—one that can be stylishly embellished. The subtle contrast between the matte surface and the elegant " leaf metal " finish creates a high-quality look. It's ideal if you want to give your home a calmer, more elegant feel this fall with homemade decor.



Decorate a striped decorative vase made of casting compound with “ leaf metal ”
Mix the casting compound with water in the “ mixing cup ” until it forms a smooth, creamy mixture. A homogeneous mixture is important so that the vase will be sturdy later on and the fine stripes of the mold will come out cleanly. Take a little extra time to do this and be sure to mix in any casting powder from the edges of the cup thoroughly.

Then pour the mixture into the silicone mold and fill it evenly to the desired height. Gently tap the mold a few times on the work surface or tap it on the side. This allows air bubbles to rise to the top, giving you a nice, dense surface—especially in the grooves of the striped vase.

Now let the cast dry for about 1.5 hours. Afterward, carefully remove it from the silicone mould, by gently stretching the mold and not pulling on the object itself. This will keep the edges and stripes intact.

Smooth the edges and let it dry completely
Sand the edges and, if necessary, any small imperfections smooth with sandpaper . This not only ensures a pleasantly smooth feel but also ensures that later gold leaf priming milk, leaf metal and protective varnish adhere evenly. Let the cast vase dry thoroughly before you start finishing it.

gold leaf priming milk Application—the base for leaf metal
Using a brush, apply a thin layer of liquid gold leaf priming milk to the areas that will later have a metallic sheen. gold leaf priming milk is a special adhesive: it first becomes transparent and slightly sticky, then the leaf metal adheres reliably.

Let the gold leaf priming milk dry for at least 20 minutes until it is transparent.

leaf metal Apply and gently press down
Carefully place the leaf metal onto the prepared surfaces. Gently press it down with a soft, dry brush so that it conforms to the texture of the strips. Work without applying pressure—this minimizes tearing of the metal and gives you an elegant, vibrant finish.

Then carefully remove any loose residue with the brush. Let everything dry thoroughly, and then polish the surface as desired with a soft cloth or cotton wool. Polishing brings out the metallic sheen beautifully and gives the finish a high-quality look.

protective varnish For long-lasting indoor decor:
Let the decorated areas dry for at least 24 hours before sealing them with a topcoat. This neatly encapsulates the leaf metal and makes the surface more durable. The protective varnish is surface-dry after about 30 minutes, but should still be handled with care until it has fully cured. Important: The paint is suitable for indoor decorative items.

Final Styling: Use “ eucalyptus ”and “
” Cut a eucalyptus branch to the desired length with the side cutters and place it in the vase. The understated shape of the striped decorative vase and the matte green hue complement each other perfectly—ideal as year-round home decor or for fall arrangements.

Now it’s your turn! If you’re looking for more silicone molds, casting compounds, leaf metal , and paints for your next casting project, check out the online shop and put together your own set for modern casting with KeraHobby.

Must Have



VBS Silicone casting mould "Striped Vase"

Fill volume: 425 ml
Diameter (outside): 5.5 cm
Height: 20 cm
Material: Silicone

20,40 CHF

Item details

Quantity: - 1 + Add to cart

Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
30133	VBS Silicone casting mould "Striped Vase"	1
29212	VBS Casting powder "KeraHobby", White2 kg	1
570183-01	VBS Leaf metal, 40 sheetsGold coloured	1
570022	KREUL Gold leaf priming milk, 50 ml	1
570046	KREUL Coating varnish for leaf metal, 50 ml	1
120272	VBS Napkin & Decoupage brush, set of 3	1
810401	Mixing cup made of rubber	1
517003	Sandpaper, set of 6	1
29620	Eucalyptus branch, snow-covered	1
970020	VBS Side cutter	1