Lantern monster

Instructions No. 3428

Difficulty: Advanced

Working time: 2 Hours

Would you like to give your home a very special, homemade touch for **Halloween** or **lantern walking**? With our step-by-step instructions, you can create a **unique monster lantern** that will delight both children and adults. This creative craft idea is not only an eye-catcher at every lantern parade, but also a perfect way to let your imagination run wild. Let's dive into the adventure of crafting together!



Make a scary, funny monster lantern: Creative fun for Halloween and lantern walking

Step 1: Create a transparent base

To make the base of your monster lantern, first cut the vellum paper to the desired width. Then carefully attach it around the cheese box using handicraft glue. Make sure that the paper is attached tightly and without folding stars so that the light shines through evenly later.

Step 2: Attach decorative strips

Take the contour scissors and cut out two strips of any thickness. These strips give the lanterns stability and a decorative edge. Attach the strips to the top and bottom of the vellum paper using handicraft glue.

Step 3: Transfer the stencils

Cut out the stencils provided. Use the Strich-Ex pen to transfer the shapes onto the black felting for your monster's face. Repeat this step for the teeth on the white craft cardboard sheet and for the eyes and hands on the rainbow craft cardboard sheet.

Step 4: Create funny eyes

Twist two chenille wires in different colours and cut them in half. Glue one wobbly eye onto each colourful, cut-out circle and place it on top of one half of the chenille wire. Create two funny eyes in this way.

Step 5: Attach the eyes

Use the awl to create two small holes in the top front edge of the cheese box. Push the unglued ends of the chenille wires through, bend them over and attach them to the inside of the box with handicraft glue.

Step 6: Attach the lantern hanger

Use the awl to punch holes opposite each other in the centre of the cheese box. Bend the lantern hanger to fit and plough it through these holes. The bracket will allow you to easily attach your lantern to a lantern rod later.

Step 7: Attach the arms

To add the finishing touches to your monster look, bend the prepared arms slightly and stick them to the vellum paper directly opposite each other using handicraft glue. This will bring your lanterns to life.

Step 8: Design the face

Complete the face by gluing the teeth to the felt mouth and attaching it between the two arms on the lanterns. This will give your monster a friendly or cheeky grin.

Step 9: Add decoration

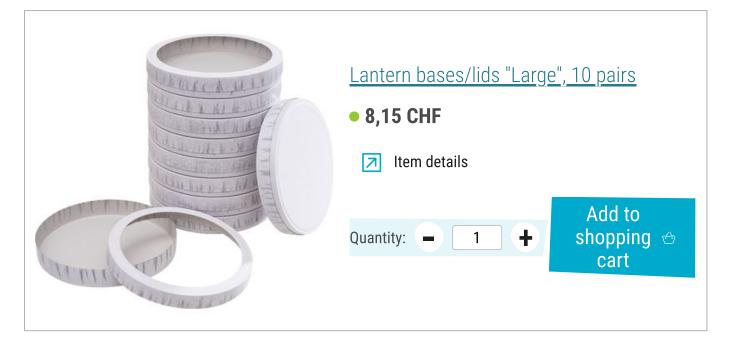
Use pompoms and gemstones to add personal touches to your monster. Glue them to the surface of the lantern with handicraft glue and decorate as you wish.

Step 10: Insert the light source

Now all that's missing is the light! Place a candle, a tea light or a battery-powered chain of lights in your lanterns. Please note that real candles can pose a fire risk, so LED tea lights or chains of lights are a safe and recommended alternative to keep the monster safely lit, making your monster light a real highlight in the dark.

Now your monster lantern is ready for its grand entrance! Visit our online shop to discover the best creative and craft materials and create lots more scary and funny monsters for your Halloween night. Have fun crafting and scaring!

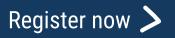
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21906	VBS Contour scissors, set of 6	1
20786	VBS Pompoms "Basic"	1
689793	VBS Micro LED chain of lights, with timer, 20 LEDs	1
701174	Tealight holders for lanterns, 10 pcs.	1
706681-00	Craft cardboard sheetWhite	1
700160	Lantern bases/lids "Large", 10 pairs	1
706681-30	Craft cardboard sheetLight blue	1
706834	Rainbow Craft cardboard sheet	1
620797	VBS Wobbly eyes to glue on "Round", 30 mm, 10 pieces	1
111065	VBS Handicraft glue85 g	1
630535	VBS Chenille wire "Colormix", 50 cm, set of 100	1
801317	VBS Pompoms "Colors & sizes mix", 1.000 pieces	1
12326	Vellum paper "Happiness"	1