



Free Form Resin Geodes

Step 1 – Create your template structure

Supplies for this step:

- 1 sheet of work plastic
- 3 templates – to choose from
- 1 magic marker
- Tube of silicone
- Sparkly sand

Instructions

- Choose the template you like best, then place on top of your work plastic.
- Flip both over so that you are tracking the template upside down. Be sure to trace all marker lines. When finished, flip right side up, and set template and marker aside.
- Cut the tip on the tube of silicone with scissors or sharp knife
- Squeeze out silicone so that it lays like a bead of toothpaste along the lines of your template. Make sure to do both the inside circle and outside, careful not to make too thick or smudge. Let cure for about 20 minutes.
- Squeeze two more rows of silicone on top of the previous, one row at a time, with 20 minutes curing time in between.
- Before moving on to next step, sprinkle most of sparkly sand inside the geode structure on the plastic

Step 2 – Mix colors for first pour

Supplies for this step:

- Apron & gloves
- Paints
- Stir Sticks, including one jumbo stir stick with lines on sides
- 1 large cup, 1 small cup
- Resin & hardener
- Fine iridescent glitter

Instructions

- Use discarded plastic template, mix paints to desired color(s), keeping in mind you need only a very small quantity of each color. Set aside
- Mix resin and hardener, equal parts. Using small cup and jumbo stick, add resin to the bottom of the black line on the jumbo craft stick. Using larger cup, add resin to top of the same black line on the jumbo craft stick. Once you have equal parts, pour the resin into the larger cup with hardener (scrape out all resin), and stir vigorously for FULL 3.5 minutes. Do not stop early or your resin may not cure properly. Use timer on your phone, stove or ask a friend to set it for you.
- Separate mix. You should have one main color (approx.. 60-80% of your mix), and one or two additional colors for striations (approx. 20% of resin per accent color). Add colors one drop at a time until you have desired transparency. Add ½ teaspoon of glitter into your main color. Add about ¼ teaspoon of glitter to accent color. Stir until blended.

Step 3 – Pour your resin foundation

- Supplies for this step
- The resin mixed in above step
- Craft sticks
- ¼ of reflective glass in cup container (not mirror glass)
- Alcohol spray

Instructions

- Slowly pour the main color inside the geode walls, working your way inward. Spread along geode foundation until it is covered, or mostly covered.
- Next, slowly drizzle accent color(s) one at a time, following the parameter of the geode shape. You can pour directly from the cup or use a craft stick for a more measured approach.
- Optional: swirl or create small designs in the resin using a craft stick.
- Carefully add a small amount of reflective glass along the outer parameter of geode, setting directly along the edge in the resin. Space apart glass pieces by ½-1”.
- Spray resin with alcohol spray.
- Let cure for at least a few hours, or overnight on a flat surface away from prying fingers and paws. Some glass may move away from edge, this is normal.

Step 4 – Pour center geode layer

- Repeat steps 2 and 3 above.
- Tip: Create a slightly deeper shade of previous color. This adds depth to the geode.

Step 5 – Add quartz healing crystals

- Carefully remove inner silicone without lifting piece from work plastic (it should pull right out)
- In a small cup, mix ½ teaspoon of resin + ½ teaspoon of hardener for 3.5 minutes.
- Drizzle resin along inner edge of geode, creating a sticky foundation for crystals or glass

- Your choice –
 - add a small amount of crushed mirror glass along the inner parameter to create a small dam
 - OR gently place quartz healing crystals so each one is balancing on and off the geode structure. Mix up additional ½ tsp resin+hardener and drizzle along edge of crystals to help keep them weighted in.
- Spray resin with alcohol spray
- Let cure for at least a few hours, or overnight on a flat surface away from prying fingers and paws.

Step 6 – Pour top geode layer

- Repeat steps 2 and 3 above, careful not to pour past quartz crystals.
- Once resin has been poured, add remaining glass along parameter. Add crushed mirror glass in interior parameter.
- Spray resin with alcohol spray
- Let cure for 48 hours.

Step 7 – Add finishing touches

- Remove outer silicone layer
- Paint geode edge with 2 coats of metallic paint color of your choice, set on plastic cups while drying.
- Let cure on flat surface for one week.
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