



Crescent Moon Candles

Makes 2 Candles!

Supply List

2 cardboard molds	Black wax rocks
Organic soy wax, divided in 2 bags	Candle wicks
Bio-glitter (safe for burning)	Silicone
Essential oils - Lavender & Eucalyptus	Glass thermometer
Sticks with 1" measure tape.	Thumbtack

You will need: a microwave-safe cup or double boiler, oven mitts and a table covering
CAUTION: This project requires heating wax to 180 F. Adult supervision is required.

The Essential Oils in Your Kit

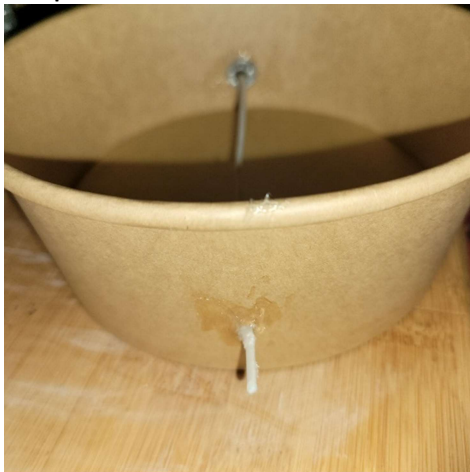
Lavender restores emotional balance by promoting relaxation and relieving anxiety, while eucalyptus works to clear airways and mental fog. We think this is what the moon might smell like.

Each candle should have a total of 30-40 drops of essential oils. Have fun mixing and matching!

Consider your design arrangement.

The moon is various shades of gray. It has craters, dark spots and light spots. In our example, we opted for a crescent-shaped moon, using the white as negative space and the darker area as the crescent moon. This is your moon candle, and you are free to arrange your candle elements however you like!

Set up the molds.



Using the stick with the measure tape, mark ½" from the inside bottom. Repeat across the bowl on the opposite side (also on the inside of the bowl). Poke a hole with the thumbtack from the inside, make wide enough to feed the wick through, with the metal part of the wick on the outside.



Secure the wick on the outside of the hole with a small bead of silicone, making sure to completely cover the hole around the wick. Let cure for 30 minutes.

Arrange the wax rocks as you'd like, in the shape of a crescent moon. The bottom of the bowl will be the front of the candle, so you will see your crescent in reverse when finished. Sprinkle a small amount of bio-glitter on top and along the edges of the rocks. This glitter is fine and will work its way through the crevices of the wax rocks.

TIP: You don't need a lot of depth for the rocks to be visible in your candle. One layer is plenty.



Melting Wax and Making Candles (Work on one candle at a time.)

- Empty one pre-measured packet of wax in a heat-safe cup. Heat in microwave for 1 minute at first, then in 30 second intervals until wax is heated to 180 F. Protect your hands with oven mitts or towels as the wax will be very hot!
- Place thermometer inside liquid wax, and set aside until it reaches 160 F. **MONITOR CLOSELY!** This cool-down period is very important! Check regularly.
- **VITAL STEP:** Once wax reaches 160F, quickly add oils (a total of 20-40 drops per candle), then stir constantly until wax reaches 140F. This is where the magic happens!
- Spoon a small amount of wax over the rocks then gently pour the remainder into the mold.
- Allow candles to set overnight before removing mold. To remove, use a sharp knife or scissors to cut the cardboard, starting at the top of the cardboard. After the first cut, gently tear and peel the cardboard away.
- Slice across the tip of bottom to create a flat surface so the candle can stand upright (see example candle below).
- For best results, allow candles to cure for 2 weeks before burning.

