

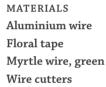
Rosehip candle lantern wreath

Rosehips are so incredibly beautiful; it's amazing that roses can create these beautiful berries! They do have long, horrible thorns, so make sure you have a good pair of gloves on when handling them.

Usually, I use rosehips as accents in decorations, but in this wreath they get to take centre stage. With different varieties of rosehips and a bit of moss as a base, this wreath makes a lovely decoration for a candle lantern.

LEVEL: MEDIUM

- ${\bf 1}$ Start by shaping aluminium wire into a suitable-sized ring and twist the ends together.
- **2** Wrap a metal ring with floral tape. Secure the tape and pull it lightly so that it gets tacky and sticks to the ring. Wrap around the whole ring to prevent the flowers from sliding around.
- ${f 3}$ Attach myrtle wire to the ring by wrapping it around it and twisting the end
- **4** Place moss around the ring to cover the aluminium wire, then secure in place with myrtle wire. Make sure the whole ring is covered with moss.
- ${\bf 5}$ Add rosehips to the ring, securing in place by wrapping myrtle wire around the stems.
- $\,6\,$ Continue adding different varieties of rosehips, using each bunch to cover the stems of the previous bunches to hide them.
- **7** When you reach the end, lift up the first bunch of rosehips to tuck the stems under.
- **8** Turn the wreath over and cut the wire with wire cutters. Secure by 'sewing' a couple of stitches into the wrapped wire.



FLOWERS/FOLIAGE Moss Rosehips, different varieties



