

Falling Leaves Luminary

Decoupage colorful tissue paper leaves onto a mason jar to make a luminous centerpiece.

You will need:

- [Leaf patterns](#) printed on copy paper
- Mason jar and rim (shape/size of choice)
- Battery-operated or LED tealight
- 5–7 sheets of tissue paper in autumnal colors
- Mod Podge
- Paintbrush or foam brush and small bowl
- Stapler
- Scissors (scalloped scissors optional)



Display a picture of a completed [Falling Leaves Luminary](#) to illuminate crafters.

Directions:

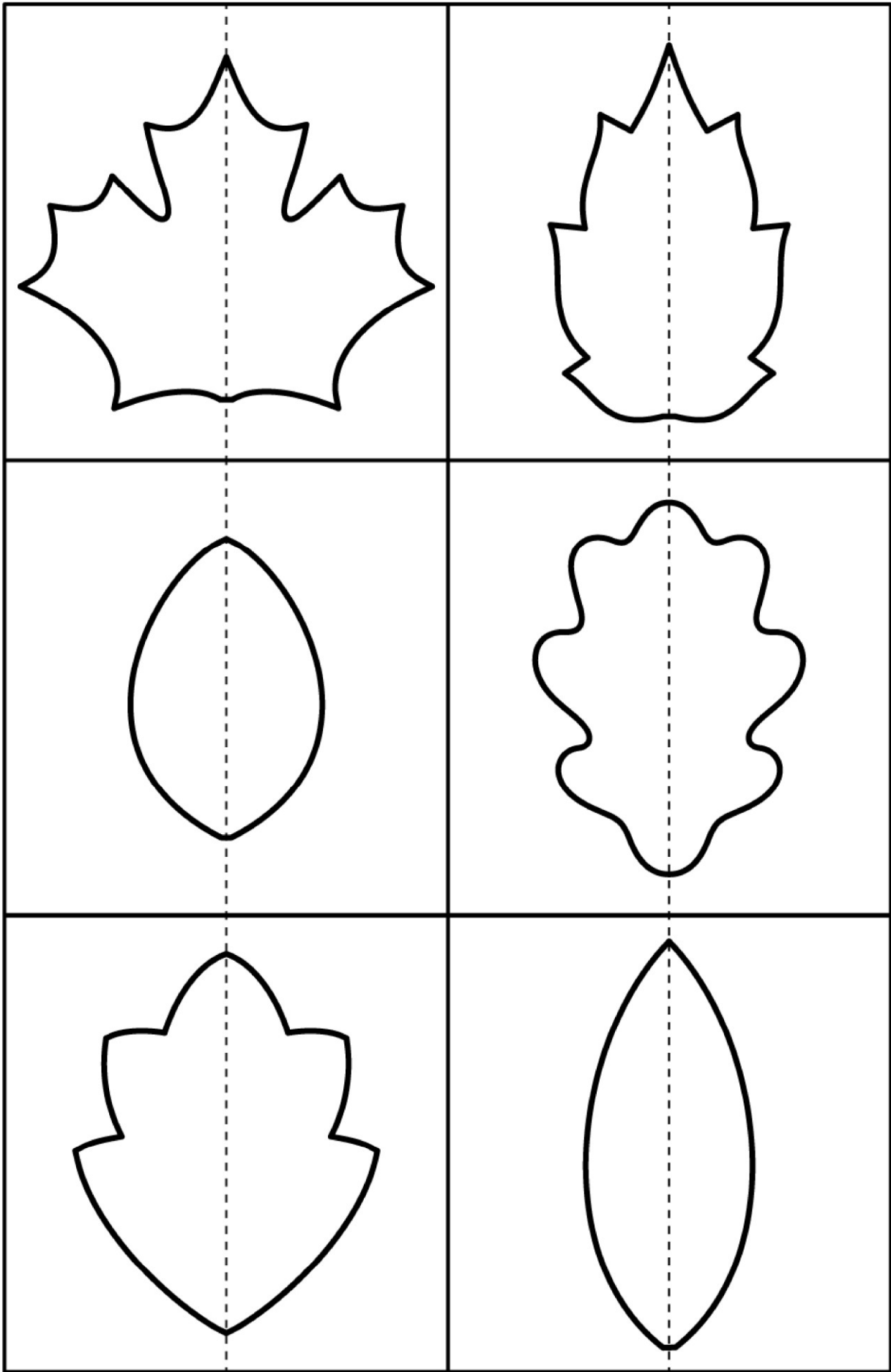
1. Cut apart the leaf patterns along the outer black lines. Fold the patterns in half along the dashed lines. Select one or more styles of leaves to use for your luminary.



2. Cut eight 4" squares of tissue paper in assorted colors and fold the squares in half.

3. Aligning the folds, sandwich some or all of the pieces of tissue paper inside a folded pattern. Staple the paper stack together outside the leaf outline as shown on the previous page.
4. Cut along the outline of the leaf and unfold the tissue paper leaves.
Option: Cut out the leaves with scalloped scissors. Repeat steps 3 and 4 if you're using more than one style of leaf pattern.
5. Mix equal parts of Mod Podge and water in a small bowl. Cover the outside of the mason jar with a thin layer of the mixture.
6. Working from the bottom up, apply the tissue paper leaves, overlapping some of the leaves as you go. Don't worry about wrinkles or small tears—the imperfections add a rustic feel.
7. Brush a final coat of the Mod Podge mixture over the leaves. Let the project dry for about 45 minutes.
8. Finish by placing the tealight in the jar.







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