



# Cornflower Button Tutorial



## You will need:

- Fimo paste in the following colours: blue (no. 37), white (no. 0), red (no. 26) and purple (no. 604)
- Some baking paper
- A wooden cocktail stick
- A little heart-shaped cutter

## Step 1 : getting ready



Mix a little white paste with some blue, and add a tiny amount of red to give it a slightly lavender coloured shade.

When done, you'll need 3 shades: dark blue, lavender blue, and light purple.

Do bear in mind that the cooking process darkens the colours.

## Step 2 : shaping



When you're happy with your colours, mix them roughly together (so that you can still see the different shades), and make a ball out of it all.

Spread your paste out until you get a disk about 2 or 3 mm thick.

With the heart shaped cutter, cut out 5 hearts.



Cut 2 lines along each heart (as shown on the picture), and lift up the sides in order to space out the "petals".



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Gather the 5 hearts into a bunch. Try to aim for the purple shades in the centre and the darker blue on the outside.

Place your cornflower in the refrigerator for at least 1 hour to cool and harden the paste.



Once the paste is hard enough to be handled without getting out of shape, carefully drill a hole through the stem of the cornflower using your wooden cocktail stick.

Then cut off the stem using a sharp knife.

### Step 3 : cooking process and beading:



Lay your cornflower on a baking tray lined with baking paper, and put it in the oven following the manufacturer's instructions (usually 30min at 110°C/230°F). Leave aside to cool, then varnish the petals with a clear varnish.

When dry, glue a few beads in the centre of the flower using clear liquid craft glue.