

L'amour Box

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Materials Check List

Artistic Wire™

Amethyst

18, 20 and 26 Gauge

Artistic Wire™ - Tools

Nylon Jaw Pliers

Round Nose Pliers

Wire Cutter

Basic Supplies/Tools

Needle Tool or Push Pin

Small Piece of Fun Foam or other cushion

Pink Velvet Paper

Pink Mulberry Paper

Lavender Cardstock

Hampton Art Stamps: L'amour

Swirls

ColorBox Wisteria Chalk Inkpad

Ruler

Scissors

Double-sided Foam Tape

Metal Glue

Glue Stick

White Box or Cigar Box

White Acrylic Paint (optional)

Instructions

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- Step 1:* If using a box with any type of pattern or writing, paint with White acrylic paint.
- Step 2:* Cut mulberry paper to fit the outside measurements of the box, plus a little extra to fold inside.
- Step 3:* Stamp the mulberry paper using the Swirl stamp and Wisteria Inkpad.
- Step 4:* Once the ink is dry, use glue stick to adhere the stamped mulberry paper to the box, trimming where necessary.
- Step 5:* Cut piece of lavender cardstock to fit the top, leaving some of the stamped image showing around the edges. Cut a piece of pink velvet paper slightly smaller and adhere these two pieces together with glue stick.
- Step 6:* Stamp "L'amour" using Wisteria ink on an extra piece of pink velvet paper and cut a piece of lavender cardstock slightly larger – adhere together with glue stick.
- Step 7:* On both pieces of the layered pink velvet/purple cardstock, rub edges with Wisteria inkpad to get a darker edge and allow to dry.
- Step 8:* Make medium and large swirls for the top of the box by hand using 18 gauge Amethyst wire, round nose pliers and nylon jaw pliers.
- Step 9:* Make small swirls and swirls for the corners of the box by hand using 20 gauge Amethyst wire, round nose pliers and nylon jaw pliers. The small swirls for the top and the corner double swirls take 4" each of wire.
- Step 10:* Attach decorative swirls to the large piece of layered cardstock by making tiny holes with needle tool or push pin (place on foam cushion to do this) in several places around each swirl (do one swirl at a time).
- Step 11:* Make 1" horseshoe shapes with 26 gauge wire. Insert these horseshoe shapes through the tiny holes and secure by flattening on the back of the cardstock.
- Step 12:* Place double-sided foam tape on the back of wired cardstock and adhere to the top of the box.
- Step 13:* Place double-sided foam tape on the back of the "L'amour" piece and adhere this to the center of the large section.
- Step 14:* Using additional pieces of pink velvet paper, cut four pieces 1" wide by the height of the box, fold in half and glue these to each corner of the box with glue stick.
- Step 15:* Glue vertical swirls to each of the corners with metal glue.
- Step 16:* Line the inside of the box with velvet paper – gluing to the box with glue stick.