

Christmas Clay Kit: tools and materials to gather from around your home

Item	Alternative	Alternative	Alternative	Purpose
Bread Board	cutting board	thick bit of cardboard		Working surface
Rolling Pin	empty wine bottle			Rolling out slabs
Plastic Bag	paper bag			Keeping scraps of clay to return to us for recycling
Plastic tub	not essential	small plastic bucket	empty ice cream tub	Keeping scraps of clay to return to us for recycling
Bowl for water	ice cream tub etc			Wash your hands / make slip / tidy edges / wash tools
tea towel	hand towel	paper towel		To dry your hands / tools / use as padding pack your work for transport
Oven set to 50°C	dry over a few hours without oven			Speed up drying of slabs to leather hard - 10 to 15 mins in the oven
Baking Tray	not essential			Put your clay in the oven to dry quickly
Baking Paper	not essential	foil		To line the baking tray
Pencil	pen			Plan your tea light house design
Paper	grid paper	printer paper	page from notebook	Plan your tea light house design
Scissors	not essential			Open your clay pack / Cut out your tealight house plan
Board	cardboard	cutting board	bread board	Keep your cut out slabs safe away from the working surface / drying your finished tealight house on
Newspaper	printer paper			Keep your cut out slabs safe away from the working surface / drying your finished tealight house on
Garbage bag	not essential	any plastic bag		Cover the parts of the tealight house while not working on them to stop them drying out
Extra cloth	pillow case	any rag	hand towel	Dampen and wrap around slabs for 5 mins if they get too dry
Knife	paring knife	stanley knife	scalpel / craft knife	Cutting clay - cut around templates / cut out windows
White Distilled Vinegar	not essential	water		Making slip for joining slabs
Cling Film	dry cleaning bag	recycling bag	one sheet of newspaper	Slow down and even out drying of your tealight house / helps stop warping & cracking
Box	cardboard box (small)	plastic box (small)		Transport your tealight house safely for firing / keep in closed box if stopping work mid way
Thin card	not essential	old postcards	cereal carton	Cut out your own templates from this / extension activity / if you would prefer to make your own