



Easy Instructions for Making Luminaries

Supplies

lunch size paper bags; sand, gravel or something to weigh bags down; regular or battery operated tealight candles

Step 1 - Prep the Bag

Open the bags and fold the openings down about 1-2 inches so the bags will be more stable.

If you like, you can decorate by adding color or cut holes or shapes to cast shadows once lit.

Step 2 - Weigh the Bag Down

Fill the bag with 2 cups of sand or gravel. If you don't have any sand or gravel on hand, you can use anything that will weigh the bag down to keep it from blowing over – small rocks or even cat litter will work.

Step 3 - Place Bags Outside

Place the bags outside where you would like them.

Do this before adding the candles so as not to jostle the candle and bury the wick in sand.

Step 4 - Add and Light Candles

When the sun begins to go down, nestle a candle into the bed of sand then light it.

If using real candles, it is recommended to use a long lighter.

Step 5 - Extinguish When Done

Remember to blow out the candles before you turn in for the night.