



## **Water Based Crystal Ball**

### **Supplies Needed**

#40000879 Fuchsia 5mm Cupped Sequins, 800 pc., 1 pk  
#40000865 White Iridescent 5mm Cupped Sequins, 800 pc., 1 pk  
#40000867 Silver 5mm Cupped Sequins, 800 pc., 1 pk  
5" Plastic Water Globe w/ Inner Seal and Lid  
Metallic Silver Acrylic Paint  
Silver Foil Glitter  
Orange Foil Glitter  
Cotton Balls (at least one bag)  
Food Coloring  
Water

### **Tools & Additional Supplies Needed**

Small Foam Paint Brush  
Large Clear Plastic Cups (for mixing food coloring & water), 2  
Chopstick or Skewer  
Disposable gloves (optional but protects hands & fingers from staining from food coloring)

### **Instructions:**

1. Use foam paint brush to paint the globe lid silver and allow to dry. (May take 2-3 coats of paint.)
2. Fill the plastic cups approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  full of water. Add blue food coloring to one cup and stir. Add equal amounts of blue and red food coloring to the other cup and stir to make purple. (Using disposable gloves will prevent hands and fingers from staining.) Set aside.
3. Stretch and tear apart the bag of cotton balls. Set aside.
4. Remove the lid and interior seal from the plastic water globe.
5. Turn globe upside down.
6. Add some sequins and glitter into the bottom of the globe. Add some of the torn cotton balls. Continue repeating this process (adding sequins and glitter so they will show through the sides of the globe) until the globe is full of cotton balls. Use chopstick or skewer to push cotton balls into all areas of the globe.
7. Alternating colors as you go, pour part of the purple then part of the blue colored water into the globe to cover cotton balls.
8. Continue adding torn cotton balls, sequins, glitter, and colored water, etc. until the globe is filled. (Mix more colored water if needed.)
9. Push the inner seal into the globe opening and securely screw on the lid. Turn the globe over and make sure the lid is secure.

10. Turn globe right side up and display your crystal ball. Embellish with black spiders or other embellishments, if desired.

### **Jello Based Crystal Ball**

**SKILL LEVEL:** Beginner

**APPROXIMATE CRAFTING TIME:** 30 Min. – 1 Hr.

### **Supplies Needed**

#2520001 Crystal Iris, 2x3mm, Czech Pipe Beads (1 pk)  
#61215005 Clear Glass Bugle Beads, 33G/1.2Oz. (1 pk)  
#40000873 Blue 5mm Cupped Sequins, 800 pc. (1 pk)  
#40000865 White Iridescent 5mm Cupped Sequins 800 pc., 1 pk  
#40000867 Silver 5mm Cupped Sequins, 800 pc. 1 pk  
5" Plastic Water Globe w/ Inner Seal and Lid  
Metallic Silver Acrylic Paint  
Clear Jello, (2 Packages)  
2 Cups Cold Water  
2 Cups Boiling Water  
Acrylic Paints (desired colors)

### **Tools & Additional Supplies Needed**

Sandpaper  
Small Foam Paint Brush  
Small Tip Paint Brush  
Mixing Bowl & Stirring Utensils  
Hot Plate or Stove Top Range  
Refrigerator  
3 qt. Saucepan w/ Handle  
Rinsing Water (for paint brush)

### **Instructions:** (Adult supervision required.)

1. Remove globe lid and inner seal. Use sandpaper to sand lid to help paint adhere. Use small foam paint brush to paint the outside of the lid silver. Allow paint to dry.
2. Make sure inside of the globe is clean, with no spots.
3. Prepare both packages of clear jello according to package directions.
4. Place globe upside down inside the lid to stabilize. Pour clear jello into the globe. Allow to thicken somewhat.
5. Stir Czech pipe beads and bugle beads into the jello.
6. Dip small tip paint brush tip into acrylic paint and stir slowly through the jello solution. Repeat with other colors to create more streaks and clouds.
7. Refrigerate and repeat steps 5-6 one or two more times as jello is setting.
8. Push the inner seal into the globe opening and securely screw on the lid. Turn the globe over and make sure the lid is secure.

9. Crystal ball is ready to display!

### **Paint Based Crystal Ball**

**SKILL LEVEL:** Beginner

**APPROXIMATE CRAFTING TIME:** 30 Min + Jello Setting Time

### **Supplies Needed**

#40000677 Clear Plastic Hanging Ball Ornament (1 pk)

#14780 Plastic Cupettes & Lids, 16 sets, (1 pk)

#32024 Clear #8 Monofilament, 360', (1 pk)

Acrylic Paint (colors of choice – we used dark yellow, orange, purple, and black)

Paint Pouring Medium

LED Battery Operated Tealights (optional)

### **Tools & Additional Supplies Needed**

Craft Sticks (for stirring)

Parchment Paper

Small Bowls, 2

Paper Towels and Water

Small Paint Brush

Disposable Gloves (optional)

### **Techniques to Know**

Overhand Knot

### **Instructions:**

1. Cover work surface with parchment paper. Squirt paint colors into individual cupettes. Stir paint pouring medium into each color of paint, mixing well with craft sticks, until all colors have the same consistency. (The paint pouring medium allows paint to flow easier to cover surfaces. The desired consistency for this project is thick enough to coat the inside of the ball but thin enough to be semi-transparent when it dries so the tea light will shine through. It is helpful to test this out in a clear plastic glass before pouring the paints into the ornament.)
2. Open the clear plastic hanging ball ornament. Add half of each cupette of paint into each side of the ornament. Swirl the paints around in the separated ornament so paint reaches the edges. Close both sides of the ornament securely together with the hanging holes aligned on each side. Turn the ornament around in your hands until the entire inside of the ornament is covered with paint swirls. (Mix and add more paint if needed.) Use wet paper towels to wipe away any paint that has leaked or dripped out onto the outside of the ornament.
3. Push pieces of parchment paper down into the small bowls (to catch dripping paint.) Open the ornament back up. Turn each half ornament upside down over a bowl. If you notice areas of the inside of the globe that did not get covered, use a small paint brush to brush paint onto those areas. Turn opened ornaments back down over the

bowls. Again, use wet paper towels to wipe off any paint that has leaked or dripped onto the outside of the ornament. Allow paint to dry thoroughly.

4. Optional: Turn on a tea light. Place it inside the ornament. Close both sides of the ornament securely together.

5. Cut a length of monofilament a bit longer than the desired hanging length. Bring one end of monofilament through the joined hanging holes at the top of the ornament and tie into a secured knot. Form a hanging loop on the other end of the monofilament and tie the base of the loop together in an overhand knot. Trim any tails.

6. Hang to display your ornament.

**SKILL LEVEL:** Beginner

**APPROXIMATE CRAFTING TIME:** 30 Minutes + Drying Time