

Filigree Christmas Tree



Steps:

1. Put your filigree Christmas tree pattern in a plastic sleeve. Pick which colour Green Deco Magic you want to use for your tree.
2. Pipe the outline of the tree. Use Deco Magic the same way as royal icing by lifting the tube of the plastic and guiding the icing over the pattern.
3. Pipe the internal structure of the tree. Try to follow the pattern as much as possible.
4. Now go the opposite way with the internal lines to give the tree filigree the support it needs. This is how it should look when it is completed. Repeat this process. You need at least 6 trees. Place in the oven on 60° for 10-15 minutes, or leave to air dry overnight.
5. Once dry, using a paring knife, slowly slide under the filigree. Gently move up towards the top of the filigree. Do this until it is no longer connected to the plastic. You should be able to hold the filigree in your hand. Repeat this process for all 6 filigree pieces.
6. Put some melted chocolate in a piping bag, you do not need much to do this job.
7. Cut a small hole at the end of the bag, you only need a thin size hole.
8. Tear of a small piece of Glad Bake or silicone paper. Fold this in half, and in half again. Open up the paper to half size and weigh down all 4 corners.
9. Pipe a snails trail where the crease is in the paper. This is how it should look.
10. Attach 1 filigree to the left side of the chocolate.
11. Attach another filigree to the right side of the chocolate.
12. Take away the 2 weights on the right hand side of the paper to allow it to go to 90 degrees (a right angle)
13. While the chocolate is still wet attach another filigree in the centre of the previous 2. You will need to hold it in place until the chocolate sets.
14. Once set use your paring knife to ease the chocolate of the paper. Slowly move up to the top of the tree with the knife. Flip the paper to the right and repeat the same process. The tree should now be away from the paper.
15. Grab a plastic sleeve to use as a base and stand up you filigree tree.
16. Start piping another snails trail to attach more filigrees to the tree.
17. It should look like this.
18. Attach another filigree as shown in picture. It should stand up on its own by this stage.
19. Repeat this process for all 6 filigrees.
20. This is how your tree should look.