



FRITANGEL

Tutorial for angel with frit made on a mandrel with petalmagic pliers

Here we used: Strawberry Dream | Erdbeertraum Other suggestions: Fairy Dance | Elfenreigen Coral Garden | Korallengarten City Lights | Nachtlichter Blue Sky | Blauer Himmel









WHAT YOU NEED

fritblend | we used "Strawberry Dream" by Vetromagic clear glassrod | white glassrod mandrel with beadseperator | graphitepaddel | petalmagic-pliers, formingtweezers or similar tool vermiculite or kiln









Let's start by melting a blob of clear. Heat the prepared mandrel with beadseperator on it. Now built a coneshape with the clear glass. Our method is to start with a barrel and make one end thicker. Then roll it on your graphitepaddle, reheat and roll again until you have a nice coneshape.



Now heat the whole surface of your coneshape and roll it in the fritblend of your choice. We used "Strawberry Dream" by Vetromagic. Melt the frit in gently.

Hint: You can also use the thousand-stringer-technique to get interesting results: Just roll the glass blob in frit and melt them in before putting the glass on the mandrel. Then it's not necessary to roll the cone in frit afterwards.













Repeat the last step as often as you like.

Hint: We also love Strawberry Dream-Nuggets! And swirling of the frit or nuggets with a stringer: Heat one spot, stick the stringer into the hot spot and turn the stringer, then wait for a moment and break the stringer. Makes a gorgeous pattern!

Melt the frit in gently; if neccessary, correct the shape of the cone again.



In the next step we put the ruffles onto the gown:

On the broad side of the cone, reheat one spot of the glass properly – but still keep the rest warm, too. Then pinch the hot glass with Vetromagic petalmagic-pliers. Just try out which side of the pliers you prefer.

Repeat this all around the cone. Heat a spot - ruffle - heat – ruffle ... until the bottom of the angel is full of ruffles.





After finishing the gown, make a round white bead on the small side of the cone – the head. If the neckline is not of your liking, or the head is not sitting propperly on the body, adjust the head and neck with your tool of choice - e.g. knife, razor ... – and correct it until you are happy with the shape.











Don't forget to keep the whole angel warm at all time!

Now it's time for the wings: Put two dots on the back of the body. On these dots add more dots and then melt them together gently. Squeeze them with a pair of parallel-tweezers. If the wings are too small yet, add more dots, melt them in and squeeze again.

If you are happy with the size, heat one wing and make grooves in the wing with the petalmagic-pliers twice or three times. Repeat on the other wing.







Bring both wings into shape. If you like, you can heat the end of the wings and lengthen them with tweezers.

Hint: Don't forget to use the petalmagic-pliers the other way round on the second wing. Our petalmagic-pliers has no right or wrong side but makes two different effects!

Finally reheat the whole angel properly and then put it into the vermicuite/kiln. Use our surgical steel headpins to make the angel into a pendant or charm.

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Hint: Also try nuggets and thousand-stringertechnique!

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