

How to Make a Mason Jar Oil Lamp – Practical & Pretty



Candles and flame lamps like this mason jar oil lamp can help you create a romantic atmosphere in your home.

If you are having a dinner date, spending at home with your loved ones, or just feel like pampering yourself, lighting a scented flame can really set the atmosphere. With this simple DIY project, you can create a mason jar oil lamp

with ingredients and materials found in the kitchen. In fact, this homemade olive oil lamp is much cheaper compared to candles.

I've made these with peppermint oil, cinnamon oil and sticks, rose oil, dried roses, lavender essential oil and lavender buds. The mason jar oil lamp makes a lovely gift — even if it's a gift for yourself!

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Materials Needed:

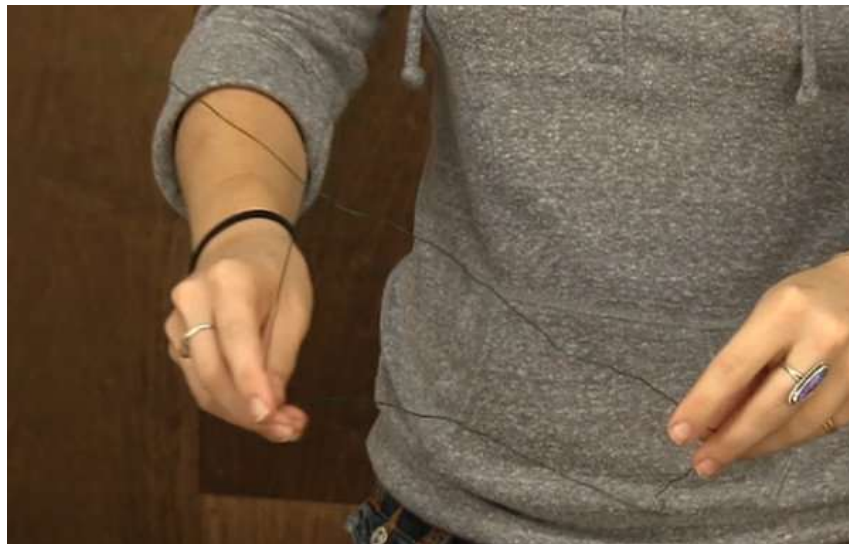
- A wide-mouthed glass jar (a quart-size wide-mouthed canning jar works really well)
- A short length of flexible steel wire (1 1/2 or 2 times the height of the jar)
- A wick
- Olive oil
- Essential oil or fragrance oil (optional)
- Dried flowers, herbs and/or spices (optional)



Step 1:

Wrap and Coil Wire to Make Hook

Use the steel wire to create a long hook. Wrap the wire back and forth so you have several strands making up the length. Make the wire piece the same height as the jar. It will help hold the wire and can also be used as a handle to help pull the wick up for lighting.



Twist and bend the wire to make a piece that is several strands wide.



Coil the wire around a pencil or small stick so the wire has a handle.

Step 2:

Make Wire Coil for Wick

Measure the wire at this point and make sure it is a couple of inches taller than your jar. At the other end of the wire from your handle coil, make another, looser coil. This will serve as a wick stand that's about an inch or two tall that sits on the bottom of the jar.



After one coil is made, make the wire piece a few inches taller than your jar.



Wrap the other end of the wire loosely around a pencil or stick to make a loose coil for your wick.



You will end up with two coils, one on each end of your wire

Step 3:

Cut Wick and Attach to Wire

Create enough length of wick to allow it to stick up above the wire coil, while the remaining length of the wick is covered with olive oil.



Add the wick to the coil you just made.



Twist the wire around the wick to secure it.

Step 4:

Add Oil

Pour the olive oil into the jar. Make sure enough olive oil is poured into the jar, so that it's just under where the wick is pinched. Leave enough space for the wick so it's not totally soaked with olive oil.

FYI!!

A few ounces of oil will keep the lamp lit for several hours.



Add the olive oil to the mason jar lamp.

Step 5: (optional)

Additions

You can add herbs and spices to the olive oil to create a romantic or calming scent.



Add essential oil or fragrance oil to your lamp for aroma.



Add dried flowers, spices or herbs to your lamp to add layers of intrigue.



Stir the mixture gently to incorporate the added ingredients.

Step 6:

Light & Enjoy!



Your mason jar olive oil lamp is ready to light and use.



Gorgeous finished mason jar oil lamp

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