Product tips

Moulding Candles

Requirements

- Moulding cast
- Centring needle or wick holder, rubber sealing cap or pliable leak stop
- Correct size of candle wick
- Paraffin, moulding mix or your own paraffin-stearine blend (7 parts paraffin to 1 part stearine). All types will henceforth be called wax.
- Moulding urn, Moulding set or Mini-Bain with electric hotplate
- Thermometer, mixing stick and scissors

Step 1 Melting the wax

- Heat the wax to 90 °C
- Stir well
- See colouring candles in the colour tablets instruction manual

Step 2

Threading the wick through the cast

- Thread the wick through the needle.
- Move the needle with the wick through the cast from top to bottom and then through the rubber sealing cap. This is much easier if you use the Gildewerk Wick pricker.
- Remove the centring needle. Please note: First put two-part casts together.

Step 3

Tightening the wick

- Place the centring needle in the notches at the top of the cast.
- Tie the wick to the needle.
- Tighten the wick and firmly fasten the sealing cap. You can also use pliable leak stop to seal the cast.

Step 4

Filling the cast

- Fill the cast to just below the brim.
- Straight after pouring the wax, tap on the side of the cast to release any air bubbles.
- After about half an hour, the wax will be set but not yet hard.
- If you notice a shrink hollow, prick a few pencil-sized holes around the wick.

Step 5

When the wax sets

• Once the wax has set, refill the shrink hollow with hot wax.

Step 6 Releasing the candle

(about 1 hour after pouring)

- Remove the rubber sealing cap or pliable leak stop.
- Take apart two-part casts.
- Hold the cast upside down.
- Remove the candle by pressing on the cast and pulling on the centring needle.

