

# HANDBAG CADDY

**YOU'LL NEED:** 1 x MDF Handbag Caddy Kit, Kraftex Decopodge, Kraftex Sealcoat, wood glue, 2 x similar paint colours, 2 x foam brushes, plastic cup, nylon hammer or mallet, epoxy glue, sandpaper, embellishments like ribbon and pearls.



**STEP ONE:** Paint all sides of the MDF parts of the kit with a light coloured paint. Dry and then do a second coat with streaks of colour (to add some interest) on the inside only of the handbag parts and one side of each of the frill part of the handbag. Dry.



**STEP TWO:** Separate the top layer of a serviette (or you could use some decorative paper) and cut it in a semi circle to fit the frill part of the handbag. Use decopodge to stick down the serviette being careful not to get any wrinkles. Use clean, dry

finger tips to press down any wrinkles. Dry and then cover the serviette with another two thin coats of decopodge drying in between each layer.

Use more of the same serviette (top layer only) to cover the front side of each of the handbag parts (the part with the handle). Do this by separating the serviette and painting each front with some decopodge. Place the serviette down on the wet decopodge being careful not to get any wrinkles. Use clean, dry finger tips to press down any wrinkles. Leave any over hang of the serviette until the decopodge dries. In a downward motion, use the sandpaper to 'cut' the edge of the serviette so it comes away and leaves a neat edge. Cover the serviette with another two thin coats of decopodge drying in between each layer.



**STEP THREE:** Use wood glue to glue the tabs and press the tabs in to the slots to make up the caddy. Use a mallet if required to gently ease the tabs in to the slots. Dry.



**STEP FOUR:** Stick the frill part to the main part using wood glue. Dry. Using a clean brush, pour some Seal Coat in to a clean plastic cup and paint the Seal Coat over the handbag caddy. Dry. Seal Coat is a mineral based 'varnish' which will waterproof and protect your handbag caddy.



**STEP FIVE:** Glue ribbon along the top edge and embellish with a few pearls. Don't forget to do the front and the back!