

HOW DO THEY DO THAT?!

This month we are proud to bring you our **BRAND NEW Country guitar mold!** I'll show you how to make and color it. Let's get started:

1. First, you need to make a guitar neck and let it dry. This is very important because it needs to be dry in order to attach it into the base. If you were in a hurry, you could attach a wet neck on TOP of the base, but a real guitar isn't put together in that manner. So once you have a dry neck, taking paste (I use gumpaste), fill the lower body mold of the guitar.



2. Taking a palette knife or similar tool, make sure the back is trimmed flat.



3. Depending on what kind of paste you use, if it doesn't come out easily, firm it up in freezer first. Release and let the paste come to room temperature. Take a wooden skewer or something similar and make a hole in the end of the base so the peg end of neck can fit into the hole. Take the neck and kind of size up where the hole needs to go to make a smooth transition between the neck and base.



4. I used a bit of gumglue to attach the neck into the base. Since the base is wet and the neck is dry, this will work. Remember you can't attach dry to dry with gumglue. Using melted chocolate as glue works, too, but I like the gumglue best. Then place a toothpick into the back to offer support. You can leave this in since you really don't see it.



5. Now you have an assembled guitar. Once dry, then you are

ready for color.



6. I'm painting the neck and front hole with Americolor [super black](#) gel coloring mixed with a little vodka to thin it a bit.



7. Next, I used my airbrush to add more color. If you don't own an airbrush, you can use dusts or paint it all with Americolor gels. I started with [egg yellow](#).



8. Then added brown around the sides and edges.



9. I added silver tones to the little buttons on top of the neck and to the part at the base of the guitar.



10. I wanted to kind of highlight the edges a bit, so I took a little of the silver on my finger and just gently wiped it on the edge of the guitar. It gave it a very nice look :-)



11. Done! If you want, you could add fine spaghetti for the strings. Hope you enjoyed the tutorial.



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