How to Make Flower Vase with Paper Mache

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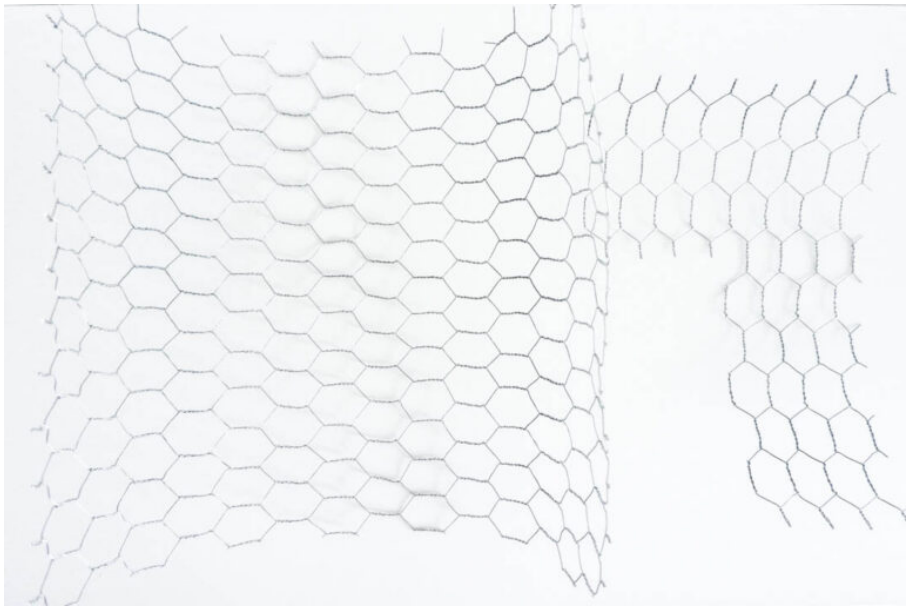
In this blog we will show you how to make flower vase with paper mache. Just follow the steps below to recreate this head shaped trendy vase.



OVERVIEW

- **Estimated Completion Time:** ~3 Hours (without waiting time)
- **Experience Required:** Low
- **Tools Required:** Pliers, Wire Cutter, Brush, Bowl
- **Materials Required:**
  - Chicken Wire Mesh
  - Newspaper
  - White Glue
  - Facial Tissues
  - White Acrylic Paint
  - Baking Soda

STEP 1) Cut Two Pieces of Chicken Wire



- Cut a rectangular shape piece of chicken wire with the following measurements: 30 cm width * 35 cm height
- Cut a second – L shape – piece of netting with these measurements: 28 cm width * 18 cm height (left side) * 10 cm height (right side)

STEP 2) Create the Base



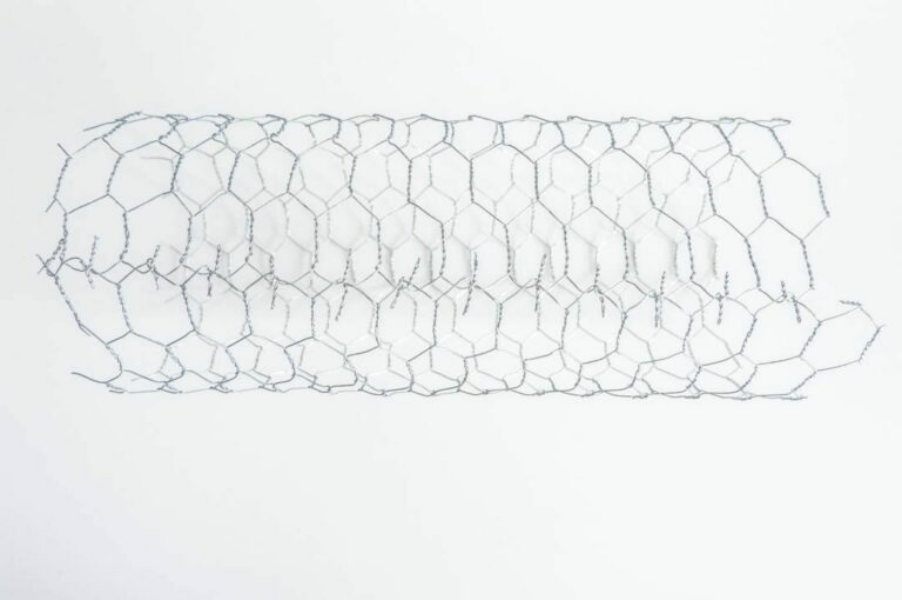
- Roll the L shape mesh into a cylinder and connect the ends by twisting the loose ends around each other

STEP 3) Connect the Bottom Part



- Take the loose piece of mesh and fold on to the cylinder
- Connect the ends to the bottom part of the cylinder by twisting the loose ends – this will act as a base for the vase

STEP 4) Make the Second Cylinder



- Now roll the larger piece of chicken wire into a cylinder and connect the ends by twisting the loose ends around each other

STEP 5) Create the Vase



- Place the tube you have just created on to the base and connect the ends with the same method
- Start to form the vase by pulling and pushing the chicken wire until it resembles a head

STEP 6) Cut Up the Newspaper



- Cut up the newspaper into approximately 3*8 cm pieces
- You can also rip them into irregular shape pieces as it can be easier to cover the curves

STEP 7) Prepare the Glue



- The next steps will show you how to do paper mache
- Take the white glue and mix it with approximately the same amount of water
- Dip the newspaper pieces in the glue mixture and remove the excess with your fingers before sticking it to the wire sculpture

STEP 8) Cover the Chicken Wire Sculpture



- One by one cover the sculpture with the newspaper pieces dipped in glue
- After you have finished applying the first layer let the vase dry

STEP 9) Apply Second Layer



- Apply a second coat of newspaper with the glue mixture and let it dry as well

STEP 10) Finishing Layer



- For the third layer use facial tissues instead of newspaper to get a smoother finish
- Firstly apply a coat of glue with a brush, stick the pieces of tissue paper into the glue then gently apply a new thin layer of glue on the top of the tissue

STEP 11) Paint the Vase



- After the last coat has dried you can paint your vase with acrylic paint (we used white)
- To add a rustic touch add a teaspoon of baking soda to the paint

STEP 12) Your Vase is Ready



- After the paint has dried your vase is ready to use
- Add some pampas grass or any artificial flowers of your choice

FURTHER READING

- How to Cut Chicken Wire – Learn how to cut chicken wire with different tools
- DIY Chicken Wire Jewellery Holder – This guide will show you how to make a jewellery holder out of chicken wire

If you would like to make your own papier-mache vase, this is the chicken wire you will need to buy.