

Hand-Painted Butterfly Candle Holder



Stain Glass Butterfly Candle Holder

Today I am showing how to make a stain glass butterfly candle holder. If you are not someone that knows how to draw this article is about how to easily create a candle holder using clipart as a stencil. Go online to find a clipart design that you would like to make a candle out of. I choose a butterfly for this project. Coloring book designs are also a good source for this project.

I am using [Pebeo Vitrea 160](#) paints and outliner. When these paints dry they give a stain glass effect. Baking your finished artwork will harden the paint to make it permanent and dishwasher safe. I suggest hand washing to keep the vibrant colors for a longer life of the item. If painting on plastic it will take 21 days to cure. This paint is non-toxic and water-based for easy cleanup.

This paint is beautiful on glass items. When the light shines from behind it cast a beautiful stain glass effect similar to a stained glass window.

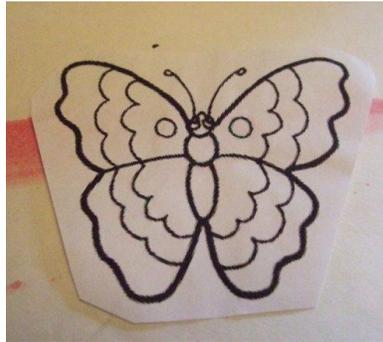


Supplies

- [Pebeo Vitrea 160 Paints](#)
 - Sapphire Blue Paint
 - Sun Yellow Paint
 - Amaranthine Paint
 - Bengal Pink Paint
 - Lazuli Paint
- [Pebeo Vitrea 160 Black Outliner](#)
- [Glass Candle Holder](#)
- [Squeeze Bottles](#)
- Clipart Stencil
- Alcohol
- Paper Towel
- Toothpick or [Stylus](#) *optional

Let's Get Started

Outlining



Find a clipart design online or from a coloring book. Make sure it has bold lines. The fewer lines the better. You want to be able to outline the design. This will become your stencil. I bought the candle holder from the [Dollar Tree](#).



Tape the stencil to the inside of the candle holder in the position you like.

I'm using Pebeo Vitrea 160 [outliner](#) in black to trace the lines of the stencil. Make sure to close all of your black lines. Do not leave gaps. This helps to contain the paint colors and keep them from flowing into the wrong area. If the tip of the outliner applicator gets to gunked up, wipe it off with a paper towel. You want to keep as clean of a line as you can.

Painting



I added a little bit of each color into [squeeze bottles](#). It makes it easier to use. Start by squeezing a tiny drop into the butterfly wing spots. I used Sapphire Blue.



Using the color Amaranthine, I squeezed a small line on to the outer wing.



I spread the color out using a toothpick or [stylus](#) so all areas were covered.



The butterfly body is painted with the color Lazuli.



I used [Bengal pink](#) color for the inside of the butterfly wings.



Lastly, I used Sun Yellow to paint the middle of the butterfly wing.

I painted the butterfly wings inside to outside avoiding already wet areas. It helps to keep it from overflowing into the area next to it. Avoid using too much paint. It will puddle and dry in an area making it look darker and over painted.

Completed Butterfly Candle Holder



I will add glass rocks to the bottom to hold the candle in place. I can use either a votive or tea light. Either candle will work. The light from the candle will shine through the painted butterfly with a stained glass effect.

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