

<u>Homemade Autumn Spice Soy Candles</u> Instructions and Tutorial Photographs found on AnnsEntitledLife.com

Homemade Autumn Spice Soy Candles Materials:

- 2 cups Soy Wax
- 1 Candlewick
- Large Nonstick Pot
- Measuring Cup
- Measuring Spoons
- Wooden Spoon
- Chopstick or Wood Stick or Pencil
- Glass Tea Cup
- 1 Light Brown or Tan Crayon
- ½ tsp Apple Pie Spice
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp Nutmeg
- ½ tsp Cinnamon
- 1 tsp Dried Cloves, divided

Homemade Autumn Spice Soy Candles Directions:

- Place your wick in a teacup.
- To hold the wick in place, wrap the top around a pencil or chopstick.
- Place the stick over the tea cup and let it drop to the bottom. A weighted wick does this nicely and settles on its own.

- Begin by heating the soy wax flakes on low heat right on your stove top. It is best to use a nonstick pot to help avoid burning and sticking.
- Continue to stir the soy candle flakes as they slowly melt. Be sure to keep the liquid moving so it does not stick or clump.
- Note: if microwaving, microwave in 30-60 second bursts stirring before setting the next time. This particular formula is best done on the stove, but you can make adjustments if you want to microwave.
- **DO NOT** use food coloring to color your candle. It will clump and not mix. Instead, use a brown or tan crayon to color the soy wax. Peel the crayon so as no wrapper remains, and then break then break the crayons into small pieces. Drop the pieces into the soy candle mixture and stir well until completely dissolved.
- Add the apple pie spice, nutmeg and cinnamon; continue to stir well.
- Add half of the cloves; continue to stir well. Note: you can add all the cloves at once if you like. In this tutorial half are held back for visual appeal.
- The color of the wax may darken, but that is fine and expected.
- Remove the mixture from the stove and slowly (and carefully!) pour it into the teacup.
- Immediately re-center the wick if needed.
- Store your Homemade Autumn Spice Soy Candles in a room that is cool to allow them time to harden.
- After hour one, you will notice the top beginning to look firmer.
- Drop the rest of the cloves in at this time so they rest on the top of the candle.
- Return your candle to the cool room to finish setting. It may take 4 hours until your candle is completely set.
- Once the mixture has hardened you can snip the wick to shorten it.
- Light and enjoy!

Safety tip: never leave a lit candle unattended!