"Christmas in July" Gumpaste Poinsettia Part 1



with Chef Nicholas Lodge International Sugar Art Collection, Inc.



There is no set number of each, but here are my suggestions for the following sizes:

Small Poinsettia:

CYATHIUM

Yellow Renshaw

All No.5 ball of Paste

28g Green Wire

2 Heart Shape

2 Lips Shape

2 Feather Top Shape

BRACTS

Renshaw Color of Choice (Red, Pink, White, etc)

7 Medium (No. 7 Small/28g Wire)

5 Small (No. 6 Small/28g Wire)

BRACTS

Renshaw Green

3-5 Small (No. 9 Small/26g Wire)

Medium Poinsettia:

CYATHIUM

Yellow Renshaw

All No.5 ball of Paste

28g Green Wire

3 Heart Shape

3 Lips Shape

3 Feather Top Shape

BRACTS

Renshaw Color of Choice (Red, Pink, White, etc)

7 Large (No. 8 Small/26g Wire)

5 Medium (No.7 Small/28g Wire)

3-4 Small (No. 6 Small/28g Wire)

BRACTS

Renshaw Green

3 Large (No. 10 Small/ 24g Wire)

2 Medium (No. 9 Small/26g Wire)





- 10 Colouring: Brush green one-third of the way up the heart shape and feather top cyathiums. Brush green onto the lip shape cyathium, leaving the lip part yellow.
- 11 Brush ruby coloured dust into the top of the heart shape cyathium, onto the lips part of the lip shape cyathium and onto the tip of the feather top cyathium.
- 12 Wrap green floral tape 2.5cm down the wires of the bracts and leaves. On the red bracts, brush ruby all over the front and a stripe down the back. Brush an aubergine colour down the centre vein, front and back. Brush green at the base, front and back.
- 13 Brush green over the leaves. Brush ruby down the centre vein front and back. Brush a darker green at the edges of the leaves. Gently steam, spray with edible lacquer and leave to dry.

Assemble: Divide the components into 3 sections, e.g.

- 1: Three cyathium (one of each); three large, two medium & two small bracts; one large & one small leaf.
- 2: Three cyathium (one of each); two large, two medium & one small bract; one large & one small leaf.
- 3: Three cyathium (one of each); two large, one medium, & one small bract; one large leaf.







- 14 Take the first group of cyathiums, bend each one out slightly using tweezers and wrap green floral tape around the wire to secure. Bend out the bracts 5mm from the base and add to the cyathiums, taping around each time. Bend out the leaves 10mm from the base and add these. Assemble the other two sections.
- 15 Add a 20g wire to the first assembled section, taping around twice. Add another section, taping around twice, then the final section and continue the tape down the stem, folding over at the bottom. Adjust the bracts as desired then gently steam your poinsettia and allow to dry.

Note:

The green dust used is Lime Green and the darker green is Forrest Green



The Poinsettia is an iconic flower used for decorating during winter and especially at Christmas time. The poinsettia is made up of 3 components. The Cyathium center yellow flowers, Bracts in a color as petals and Bracts and in green as leaves.



Products used in creating the Poinsettia and are available at www.nicholaslodge.com

| NL Flowe | er Pro | Items: |
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Other Items:

| NLC011 | Poinsettia Mold & Veiner | T111 | Spring Action Scissors |
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| NLC0002 | Flower Pro Companion Tool | NL88 | NL Mini-Mat |
| NL1150B | Mini Foam Pad & Companion Tool | FOAM FOAMER | Crate/Convoluted Foam |
| NL108 | Flower Pro Mini Mat | NLSG1 | Nicholas Lodge Size Guide |
| NLC0003 | Flower Pro Multi Tool Holder | | |
| NLC0015 | Flower Pro Flexi-Scraper | | |





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