



# Pedestals



# Pretty Pedestals

## Step 1:

### Preparing the Clay

Pour desired amount of the CelluClay into a plastic bag. Gradually add in water until the dry clay becomes moist and not crumbly.

Use your hand to knead the clay inside the bag.

The clay is workable when it changes from a powdery substance to a plastic and pliable one.



## Step 2:

### Building the Armature

**LEARN:** An *armature* is a framework on which a sculpture is molded to provide a underlying structural support.

Start with a block of wood and cut two square pieces of foam core or cardboard slightly larger than the width of the wood block.

Glue the squares to the top and to the bottom of the wood block.

Allow the glue to dry completely before applying the CelluClay.



### **Step 3:**

#### Applying the Texture

Using small pieces of clay begin to cover the armature with the CelluClay.



Add a small amount of water to the CelluClay to smooth out any bumps on the surface.



### **Step 4:**

#### Building the Column's Design

Roll two small coils of clay and attach them to the sides of the top square piece of the armature.



Use your finger to smooth the coils onto the top piece of clay. Add water when needed to smooth out any bumps on the surface.



Add a small amount of clay to the ends of each coil to round them out.



Roll out a long and thin coil for the column's trim design.



Add it to the top using a spiral line.



Smooth the coil onto the top with your finger.

Repeat these same steps for the back of the pedestal.



Add a small amount of clay to the bottom of the pedestal to create a foot.



### **Step 5:**

Finishing the Surface

Set the sculpture aside and allow it to dry for 24 hours.

Once it is completely dry, it can be smoothed using a piece of sandpaper.

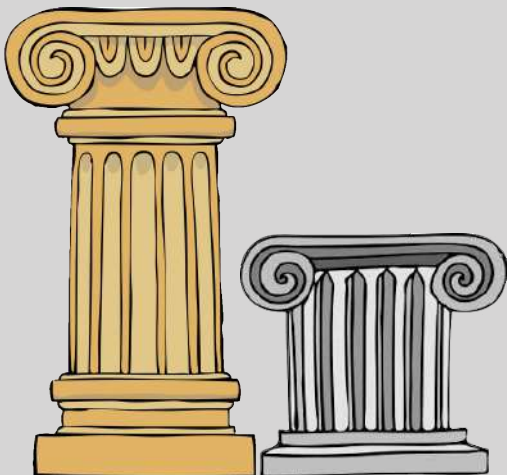


Mix gray acrylic paint with some matte varnish to seal and color the clay surface.

Allow the paint / varnish to dry.

**Step 6:**

Add an artwork to the pedestal and display.



# Pedestal

an architectural base for a statue



**Ionic**



**Doric**



**Corinthian**