

Cellophane Wing Tips

Tip#1

What you do is build your wire frame then buy several rolls of iridescent cellophane. It depends on the size but i needed 2 roll for my 3 foot wings. Then cut one piece to completely cover one side of the wing, lay the sheet down and spread a mixture of glue and water all over the sheet. Put the wire on top then the another sheet of cellophane to cover let dry for at least 2 days...I hope this helps! If you have questions just post or email me.

Heavens, how dashing!

Tip#2

Sewing wings: I don't understand why it would be any different with cellophane.

My latest set of wings were another cellophane creations. I just used wire, cellophane and hot glue. This is my 3rd time using this method. I've never found it to be exceptionally messy or difficult and they hold up fine.

The wire is 14ga galvanized steel, wrapped in floral tape to construct the veining pattern. The dress and the hair are all made by me as well . thank you much!

Tip#3

It is called 'krystalphane' and it's from litin party paper. their warehouses are local, so i was able to go in and find what i needed... they have a website, but i can never find exactly what i need on there, its so confusing... <http://www.epartypaper.com/> ... it was only \$21 for a 50' roll of 36" wide cello, which considering the square footage was quite a deal.. other places have 20" wide rolls of 100' for \$34 or more.. plus shipping. *shrugs* I'm sure others can find better deals, but I like buying local when i can.

<http://www.livejournal.com/community/faeriefashion/653341.html>

Tip#4

I used hot-glue on a low-heat setting to adhere a layer of cellophane to each side of the wing-wire-frame. Then I took my heat embosser (you know, from stamping?) and fused the layers together where they met.

Tip#5

Question: Alrighty. So I decided to try and make a pair of cellophane wings a few weeks ago from the tutorial posted by [scoundrelle](#). Everything goes alright until I actually start working with the cellophane. No matter what I do it will not stay attached to the wire frame. The frame is covered in floral tape and I've tried using both high and low temp glue guns. The cellophane just does not want to stay adhered to the dang glue. After trying a bunch of different techniques I finally got some to stick....for a bit. The instant I started to shrink it the edges came undone. I don't know what I'm doing wrong. Could it be the brand/type of cellophane? The glue? After four or five days of trying I'm so frustrated that I'm ready to strangle myself with the stuff. Help.....please?

Answers: Are you putting the cellophane on right away? That helps. When I make wings I generally glue the cellophane down a couple of inches at a time and right after I've put the glue along the wire, so the glue is at its hottest. If you let it cool even for longer than even a few seconds it wont hold as well. (I think its a matter of the cellophane getting slightly melty with the heat.)

I have never used cellophane for making wings, but in my experience if all else fails you can never go wrong with double sided tape. Not only is it transparent (or very nearly) but it also gets hidden by whatever it is you're sticking down. Be warned though - it is pain if you make a mistake!

I agree with twilightfirefly - a little bit at a time always works better. Keep trying - it will be worth it in the end!! - Good luck.

I use the high-temp setting on my glue gun, and run the bead along the outer edge of the wing last, to make sure that its still hottest when i lay the wing onto the cellophane. the heat makes it incredibly tacky, and sticks like a charm when i do it. the glue sticks are just boring ones from wal-mart.. but try switching them out, because sometimes if they're not dual-temp sticks they don't have the adhesion.