

DIY Beeswax Wraps

Supplies:

- 100% thin cotton fabric (washed)
- [Beeswax](#)
- [Pine Resin](#) (powdered is easiest)
- [Jojoba Oil](#) (or coconut, sweet almond, apricot kernel)
- Pinking shears (optional)
- Oven safe container or a small crockpot

Supplies for Ironing Method:

- Parchment Paper
- Iron
- Ironing Surface
- Paint Brush

Supplies for Oven Method:

- Baking Tray lined with parchment
- Oven
- Paint Brush

Recipe:

5 parts beeswax: 1 part pine resin: 1 part Jojoba oil by weight

Ex: 50 g. beeswax: 10 g. resin: 10 g. Jojoba Oil -- Will make app. 3 – 12"x12" wraps

Amounts:

You will need approximately .15 grams of the recipe per square inch of fabric.

Ex: 15 grams of recipe for 100 square inches in a 10" x 10" wrap.

Melt Mixture:

To melt your ingredients together, place wax in a small crock-pot or in an oven safe container in a 225 degree oven to melt. Add resin to wax and stir. Once resin has melted, add oil and stir.

Cut Fabric:

Cut fabric to chosen size and shape, preferably with pinking shears. Do this while mixture is melting. Kits have one piece of 15"x 21" fabric, which will make a 12"x12" wrap + a 9"x9" wrap + a 6"x6" wrap.

Directions for Ironing Method:

- Place cut fabric on larger piece of parchment paper on protected ironing surface
- Brush melted wax mixture on fabric and cover with second piece of parchment paper.
- Lightly iron on cotton setting until mixture looks evenly distributed. Use the iron to move the mixture.
- Peel fabric off the parchment by two corners and waft in the air over a safe surface for several seconds, until wax begins to cool and stiffen.

Directions for Oven Method:

- Place cut fabric on parchment on baking tray in oven set on 225 degrees.
- Brush melted wax mixture on fabric and place in the oven for 2-3 minutes.
- Take out of the oven and distribute wax evenly with brush. Brush excess off of cloth.
- Place back in the oven for 2-3 minutes.
- Take tray out of the oven and carefully lift by two corners and waft in the air over the baking tray or covered surface for several seconds, until wax begins to cool and stiffen.

Tips:

1. Before first use, crumple up wrap to "activate" it. If the wrap sticks together tightly when crumpled, it should work well. If the wrap looks too cracked when you un-crumple, you may need more oil. Just rub some coconut or Jojoba oil onto your hands, then work it into the wrap until it is more pliable.
2. The wrap may leave some residue on your hands and dishes until it "cures." This should get better. When it does leave residue, rub a small amount of oil on the residue and rub it off, then wash with soap and water.