



## PURPLE ROSES WOOD BOX

Using our Tissue Decoupage Paper,  
Jacquard Pearl-Ex and Lumiere Paints

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### Supplies

Wooden Box and 5 Round Wood Balls

Tissue Decoupage Papers - Flowers

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Fine Sand Paper

Cotton Cording from Fabric Store

Small Screwdriver

All Purpose Acrylic Sealer

Lumiere Metallic Silver Paint (Jacquard Products)

Pearl-Ex Pigment Misty Lavender (Jacquard Products)

Glazing Medium (Golden or Liquitex Gloss)

Paverpol Textile Hardener (Paverpolusa)

Soft Paint Brushes

Elmer's Glue-all

Water based semi-gloss varnish



### Step 1

Start by preparing your surface. Remove hardware from box. Lightly sand box and feet with fine sand paper, removing grit with a damp paper towel or tack cloth. Seal with an all-purpose acrylic sealer, let dry. Lightly sand again, make sure box feels smooth to the touch.

### Step 2

Saturate your cotton cording in Paverpol Textile Hardener, and let dry a few minutes until tacky, using your fingers apply cording to edges and top of box (make sure to leave a space for you knob on top of box). Paverpol will dry quickly, apply cording in steps, and clean up excess with a damp sponge. Let dry.

### Step 3

Using a soft brush basecoat your box and knobs with Jacquards Lumiere Paint in Metallic Silver. Let dry.

### Step 4

Mix 70% acrylic glazing medium (I like golden's gloss) with 30% Misty Lavender Pearl-Ex Pigments. Use this mixture as a wash, brushing on the medium mix to your box and knobs and removing with a rag. Let dry. Do another wash until you get the depth of color you want. Let dry.

### Step 5

Cut out your tissue decoupage paper designs. Use a small pair of embroidery scissors. Pre-arrange your designs on your surface. (Once you decoupage your design it is difficult to remove.)

### Step 6

Slightly water down your Elmer's glue-all. Apply a small amount of water to the front and back of your image, letting the paper soften. Apply your Elmer's to the front and back using your fingers, make sure your fingers have lots of glue so your images won't stick to your fingers. Apply your images to the surface working out wrinkles and air bubbles as you go. Clean up any excess glue with a damp sponge. Let dry for 24 hours.

### Step 7

Using Elmer's Glue-all, glue your knobs to the base and top of your box. Let dry.

### Step 8

Apply two coats of water based semi-gloss varnish with a soft brush. I like Delta gloss water based varnish. Gloss varnish really makes the colors pop on metallic surfaces. Let dry.