

## HOW TO COOK THE FIMO PASTE?

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The cooking of polymer clay is the essential step to make jewelry, small decorative objects or accessories trend. Why cook the Fimo clay? This allows the hardening of your small objects modeled.

The cooking time and temperature are the two essential elements to obtain a good cooking of your polymer clay, and therefore successful creations!



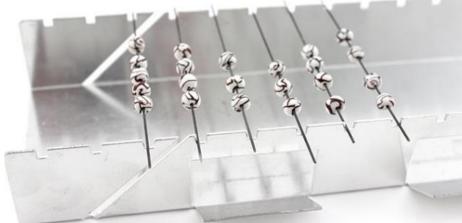
## How to cook the fino?

- Preheat the oven to 110 ° C. Work your polymer clay on a tile plate or a silicone mat.
- Arrange your creations to cook on the plate of the oven, protected by parchment paper (baking paper). Be sure to space your creations so they do not stick during cooking. Be careful not to put the baking sheet in contact with food.

If they are pearls, and you don't have a dremel, don't forget to pierce them with a toothpick and especially prick the toothpick in a ball of aluminum foil so that they don't flatten out during cooking. You can also place them in a baking rack.

- When the oven is at 110° C (thermostat 3), put your models in the oven for 30 minutes. It is imperative to respect the time and temperature of cooking. If in doubt, refer to the bags of polymer clay Fimo to read the instructions.
- When the cooking time is over, remove the plate from the oven.
- Remove your creations from the baking sheet to prevent further cooking and let cool.
- · Leave the oven door and window open for ventilation.
- ${}^{\bullet}$  Once your creations are completely cool, you can  $\underline{sand}$  , polish, buff or varnish them. Good to know:
- When you take your creations out of the oven, they have not hardened, they are still malleable? This is normal! Fimo will be perfectly hard after a complete drying and not before. Patience, patience!
- It is important to take certain precautions: work in a well-ventilated or ventilated room to avoid possible toxic fumes.
- If the firing temperature is too high, your creations may turn brown, blister or even melt.

If the temperature is too low, your Fimo polymer clay may be soft even after a complete cooling time. To control the temperature of your oven, you can use a <u>thermometer</u> adapted.



## WHAT IS THE FIMO PASTE?

It is one of thebrands of polymer clay most known in France created by Staedtler but there are many others: Cernit, Sculpey, Kato Polyclay...

This kind of modeling clay allows you to make DIY costume jewelry and decorative objects, such as pendants, earrings, cabochons, key chains, figurines, decorations

There is a wide range of polymer clay such as soft polymer clay, polymer clay effect, polymer clay Kids ... We also find the liquid fimo and fimo air that hardens in the air!

Fimo is also a wide choice of colors and effects that will not be altered after cooking. In addition, they are perfectly miscible between them. The cooking of the fimo is done in a traditional household oven or electric oven (but never in a microwave oven, in a gas oven or a pot of hot water). What to do with the paste fimo? You do not have creative ideas? Get inspired by our free tutorials to make <u>polymer clay jewelry</u> or decorative objects. Here we go, get started!

If you are abeginner in polymer clay, check out our<u>list</u> of essential<u>tools</u> to get started. Our tips and our step by step will help you know how to <u>use the polymer clay</u>. It will then be easy to make beautiful models of jewelry or animals.



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