



# Downers Grove Public Library

## Fall Leaf Bowl:

### What's Included:

- Artificial leaves (about 50)
- Mod Podge
- Foam Brush

### What You'll Need:

- Plastic Bowl
- Plastic Wrap
- Craft Seal Spray



1. Choose a bowl to use as your template. Cover the outside with plastic wrap.
2. Apply Mod Podge to an entire leaf, then place on the covered bowl. Continue to place the leaves on the base of the bowl and halfway up the sides, making sure to overlap as you go.

*Tip: I also applied a small bit Mod Podge to the plastic wrap and let it sit for a minute to make sure it was tacky enough for the leaf to stick.*

3. Some leaves may not lay down right away and that's okay. You can smooth them over with your finger to get them to lay down and you'll place more plastic wrap around them later.
4. Once you are happy with all of the leaves, smooth out any excess Mod Podge.
5. Apply another layer of plastic wrap to help keep the leaves in place. This is a chance to press down to secure the leaves. You can let the bowl dry for a few hours and then take the outer plastic wrap off, or leave it overnight. It will dry quicker without the plastic wrap.

6. After drying, some leaves may need a second coat of Mod Podge. This is also a chance to add another layer of leaves if you have any gaps and leftover leaves.
7. When ready, carefully peel the bowl and layer of plastic wrap away from your plastic bowl. Peel away the plastic wrap from the interior of your bowl.
8. To finish the project, spray your bowl with a glaze or sealer.
9. Place your decorative bowl out for all to see!