

# How to Make A Paper Lantern for the Barberry Carpet Moth



## **You will need:**

**Willow - or other slim straight sticks, wet strength tissue paper, masking tape, PVA glue, pot to mix the glue in, scissors, paint brush, secateurs and garden wire/string**

**Other Possible sticks you can use if you do not have access to Basketmakers willow are:**

- **Goat Willow**
- **Hazel**
- **Dogwood**
- **Privet**
- **Fruit tree prunings**
- **Cotoneaster**
- **Snowberry**



## **CAUTION!**

**Always ask the landowners permission when taking materials from hedges or wild places.**





**Cut 6 sticks 35 cm long.  
4 will be used for the  
upright stakes  
2 will be used as part of  
the base**

**Tape all your sticks  
together to make a  
frame.**

**Add more sticks  
across the sides for  
extra support**

**If your sticks are very thin.  
Tape 2 together to make 1  
strong stick. You will need  
double the amount of sticks  
if you need to do this**



**Cut 4 sticks 25 cm long  
for the base**





**Dilute the PVA 1 part PVA  
to 2 parts water in your  
pot and mix thoroughly.**

**Brush it liberally onto the  
tissue paper  
This is the messy bit!**



**Wrap the pieces of tissue  
paper around the frame.  
3 layers is good but you  
can use more if you would  
like**



**TIP!**

**It is easier to work with small  
pieces of tissue paper**

**Decorate your lantern with  
cut out moth shapes  
Stick them on with PVA**







**Leave to dry.  
The paper will become  
strong and taut as it dries  
It will take a couple of  
hours**

**Carefully cut a hole in the  
lantern so you can hang  
your LED lights inside.**



**Glue a tissue paper flap on  
one edge to hide the hole.  
You can open and close it  
as necessary**