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DIY Thermos Lamp

For a one-of-a-kind accent lamp that suits a rustic decor scheme, transform an old vacuum flask into a table lamp. Want a shortcut? Secure a wireless puck light to the top of the thermos with E6000 adhesive and add a coordinating shade. To create a hardwired lamp, follow these simple steps.

SUPPLIES

- 32-ounce or larger thermos
- Westinghouse Make-a-Lamp electric lamp kit
- Drill with a $\frac{3}{8}$ " diamond bit
- Two $\frac{3}{8}$ " rubber grommets
- Marbles or stones
- Lightbulb
- Lampshade with clip-on fitting

INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1 If your thermos has a glass lining, carefully break and remove it before beginning.

STEP 2 Determine which side of the flask you want to be the back and drill a hole $\frac{1}{2}$ " up from the bottom for the cord. Using the same bit, carefully drill a hole in the center of the flask's screw-on cap. Insert grommets in each hole.

STEP 3 Pass the lamp kit cord through the first drilled hole and up through the mouth of the thermos, then through the bottom of the hole in the screw-on cap.

STEP 4 Add a few marbles or stones to the bottom of the thermos for ballast.

STEP 5 Install the lamp kit per manufacturer's instructions.

STEP 6 Screw in the lightbulb, add the shade and plug in the lamp. Enjoy!

