

BRING BACK THE LIGHT

— HOW TO MAKE AN ICE LUMINARY —

STEP 1:

Fill an empty yogurt container or bucket with water, almost to the top. Add food coloring if you want a colorful luminary. Set it outside or in a freezer to freeze. Freezing time varies with the temperature. At 15 degrees Fahrenheit, it could take 15 hours for the luminary to freeze. At minus 20 degrees, it could take only 5 hours.



STEP 2:

Check your container. Remove the luminary when the top is frozen to about 1-inch thick. Hold the container over the sink and turn it upside down, with your hand at the bottom over the opening to catch the ice when it slides out. Pour warm water on the bottom of the container to release the ice.



STEP 3:

If ice formed at the bottom of the container (which is the top of the luminary), use a chisel or warm water to remove the ice and pour the water out. Use the chisel or warm water to form the opening of the luminary to make sure it can fit a small votive candle that's about 2 inches tall and 1 ½ inches wide. Place a candle inside, light it and enjoy.

