'Plant leather - how to':

In this video, I run through the steps covering how to grow your own biodegradable, completely natural, obviously not waterproof, but surprisingly strong and malleable tea/plant leather.

This is the shortest and simplest of the three tutorials, running at 5 minutes with a total creation time of 30 minutes. I bring you along on a creative process that is already happening in my home as I plan to use the social hashtag of #plantleather and #tealeather to create a series of grown fabric lamp shades. Alternatively, this food experiment cooks up something very fascinating that can be sewn into clothes, assembled into bags and stationary.

Things you'll need:

A bottle of kombucha or about 500ml of ACV (with mother culture) 6 tablespoons of white sugar 6 black tea bags
Container of your desired choice
Cling film or reusable sealable cover
Spoon
Hot kettle full of water

To begin:

Start by boiling a full kettle of water.
Choose your desired clean container.
Place 6 tea bags dispersed into container.
Pour over hot water and mix.
Add the sugar.
Stir and dissolve.

allow to cool for 20 minutes/room temp

Remove tea bags.
Add kombucha.
Cover and seal.
Leave to grow for 3 to months...

Keep checking week by week by inspecting the sides of the material.





































