



## Mother's Day Bouquet of Simply Gilded Blooms

Treat Mom to festive florals that will shine long past Mother's Day. These stunning gold-tinged flowers are sure to enchant with Imitation Gold Leaf edges. Please read instructions and note about acrylic paint before starting.

### What you'll need -

- Fabric or plastic flowers
- Glass vase to fit long stems or short stems
- Small foam brush for applying size
- Soft brush for skewing off excess leaf
- Cotton gilding gloves
- Acrylic paint similar color as flowers (optional)
- Sepp Gilding Workshop (SGW) Water-Based **Gilding Size** (glue for leaf)
- SGW **Imitation Gold Leaf** – one book



Sepp Gilding Workshop offers **Gilding Kits** with various colors of leaf and primers, along with water-based or oil-based size, brush, stir stick and even gloves. SGW also offers Red, Yellow and Gray primers, and Imitation Gold, Aluminum, Variegated Red, Blue and Green Leaf sold separately.



Sepp Gilding Workshop Leaf – Imitation Gold, Aluminum, Copper, and Red, Blue and Green Variegated

### Applying Water-Based Gold Size



Note: You may want to use acrylic paint to seal the porous edges of fabric flowers before applying water-based size. Otherwise you will need to double up on your size application - the first layer of size acts to seal the surface, and the second layer will be the tacky layer you gild.

Load your foam brush with Gilding Size and generously brush the petal tips of each flower – you can do as many petals as you wish.



As each flower is sized, you can rest it in a container until it comes to tack. When ready, they will feel dry but sticky.

### **Gilding Over Water-Based Size**



When the size is ready, gently press torn pieces of the Imitation Gold Leaf onto the sized areas.



You can use your cotton gloves or soft brush to get rid of excess leaf.



Drop three to four Imitation Gold leaves into the bottom of your clean, dry vase.



Arrange your gilded flowers in the vase and get ready to surprise Mom with an elegant, glowing bouquet - it'll bring sunshine all year long, just like she does!