

Using a size guide, make a ball of grey sugar paste fit size 16, this is for the body. Roll this into a sausage shape of about 3" long then slightly flatten it with a smoother.

Cut a slit in each end about a third of the way in to form the legs. Hold the body in your hand and bend it in half over your index finger, now part the legs slightly to enable your model to stand. Put it down on a flat surface pushing down on it gently to level off the feet. Now using a bone tool add three toes to each foot.



For the head you need a smooth ball of paste size 14, shape this in your palms to make a head with trunk attached.

Bend the trunk up over the head and then forward again to form an "S" shape. With a craft knife cut a small slit at the base of the trunk for a mouth and gently mark a few grooves up the out side of the trunk. With a bulbous cone tool make two identical holes in the end of the trunk.

Secure this to the body with a brush moistened with water.



Make two balls for the ears size 8 and one for the tail size 2.

Flatten the ears and fix with water to each side of the head. Push into place and shape with a bone tool. To make the tail, roll a small sausage shape and make 3 cuts in one end with a craft knife, attach this to the other end with water.



Now make two small holes for the eyes with the bulbous cone tool in the head either side of the trunk and between the ears, moisten with water and add two black sugar paste eyes.

A very small white dot off centre of both eyes adds a sparkle and brings your character to life this can be either piped Royal Icing or white colour painted on.

A small pink tongue can be added to the mouth and a dusting of pink for the cheeks and in each ear.



Tip:
Personalise your elephant model with other accessories, such as flowers, a red heart or a crazy hat!