



## Repurposing A Candle Vessel

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Here's an easy way to remove old leftover candle wax from its container after use so you can repurpose the container. You can use repurposed vessels for storage and crafts. Plus it keeps containers out of our landfills. This oven method is only for non-combustible jars or containers made of glass, ceramic or metal.

- Preheat oven to 170-degrees max. Place the jar or glass container inside another ovenproof container to catch any wax spills. Monitor the melting as it will take time. Be sure to use a potholder to avoid burns!
- Wait until the wax is fully melted. Once melted use a potholder to hold the container while you pour out the wax. Then wipe out the remaining melted wax with a paper towel. At this point, you can also reuse the melted wax to make a new candle.
- Wash the jar with soap and warm water and let air-dry for a sparkling finish.
- Now you can repurpose your vessel for storage, crafts and more. This is especially useful if you receive a trinket holder with a mini candle, like the one pictured. It's an easy way to clean it out so you can continue to use it for trinkets, rings and things.

Note: there are other ways to get wax out of vessels, such as placing the jar in the freezer, microwaving or using boiling water. However, above is my preferred method for obtaining a clean vessel for repurposing. Whatever method you choose, be safe.

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