

# How to use Putty to Prop a Ring for Photography



## What you will need:

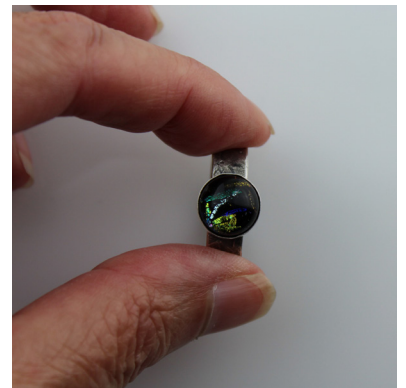
- ring
- digital camera or phone
- black, gray or white surface, at least 6 inches square
- tripod
- small wad of putty, wax or polymer clay (I am using DAP Reusable Adhesive Putty)
- lighting or camera's flash



- Use a black, gray or white surface on which to set your ring, preferably reflective, but not necessary. Here I am using white.



- Set the smallest amount, of putty or wax as possible on the surface to support the weight and angle of your ring. If you will not be able to edit it out in the editing stage, you will want to use an inconspicuous color, that blends into your background surface. If you will be editing it out, it's easier to select the putty, if you use a contrasting color.



- Set your ring at a slight angle on the putty. You may need to try different angles, to see which are the most flattering for your ring. Set your camera on a tripod and photograph the ring. Make sure that the putty is not covering up any part of the ring, from the camera's perspective. I am using blue putty for this demo.



- After photographing at several angles, chose your favorites and crop, lighten and edit your image using any basic photo editing apps or software. If the wax or putty is visible in the image, you will need to use more sophisticated photo editing software to clean it up and add a slight shadow, if you wish.

