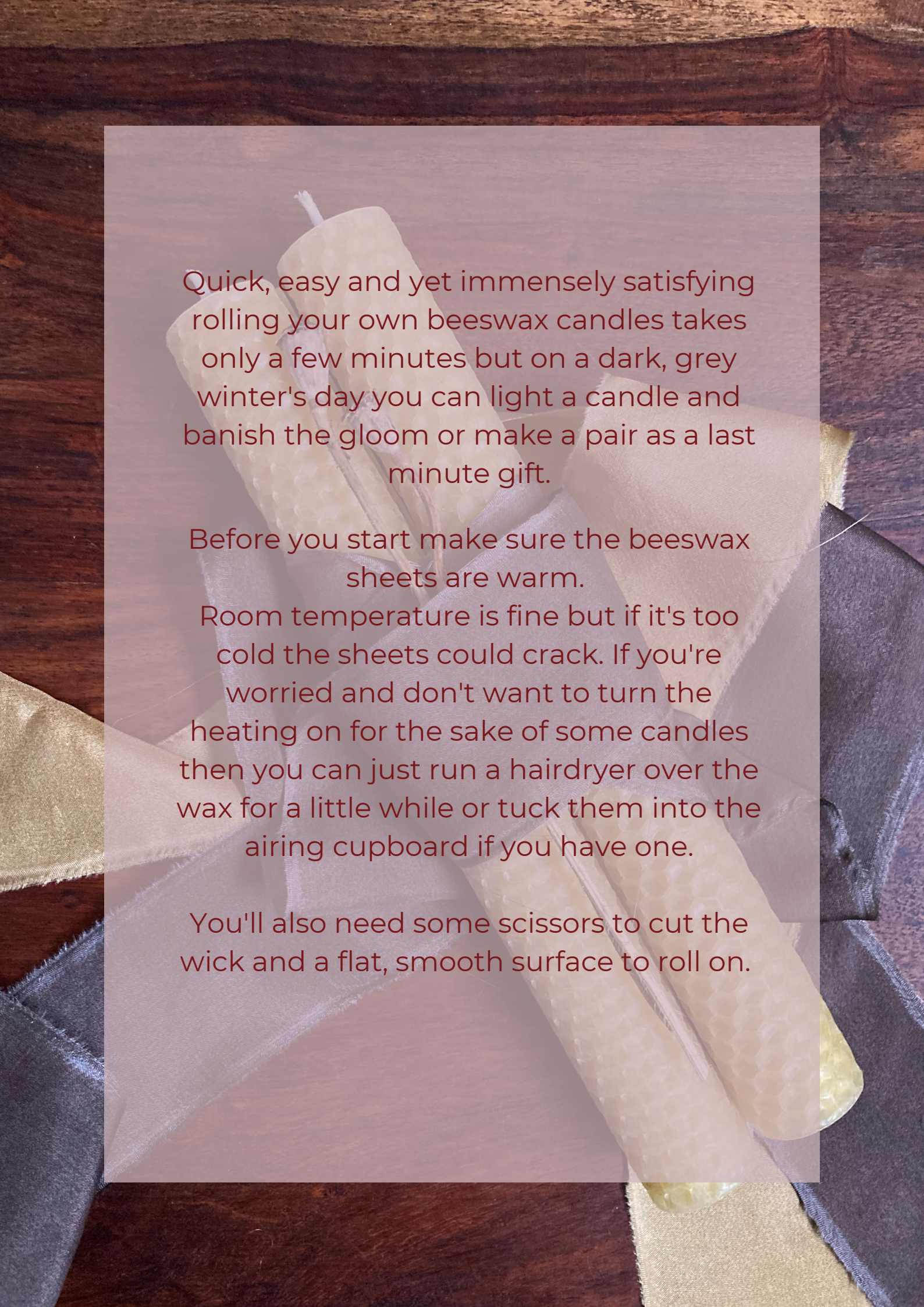
The Knitting Shed

Roll your own candles

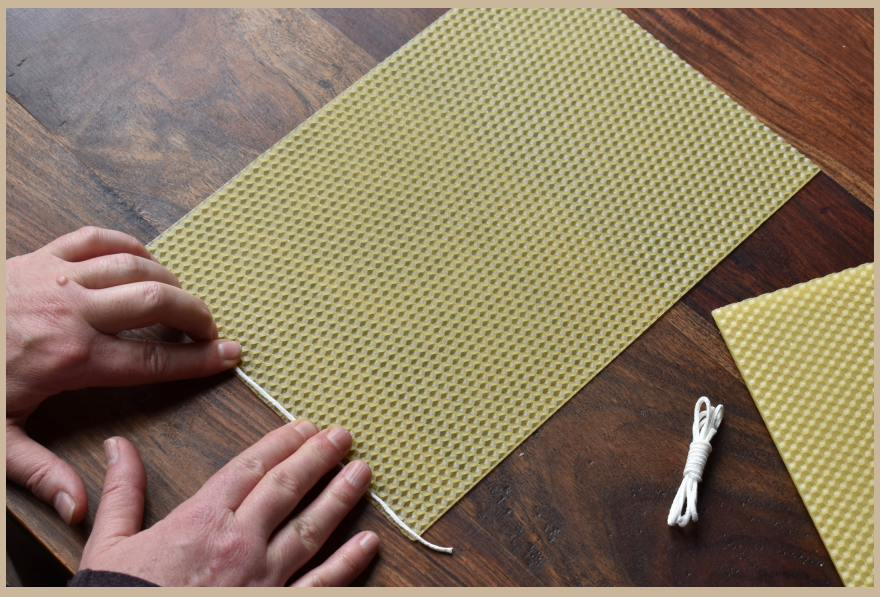


Quick, easy and yet immensely satisfying rolling your own beeswax candles takes only a few minutes but on a dark, grey winter's day you can light a candle and banish the gloom or make a pair as a last minute gift.

Before you start make sure the beeswax sheets are warm.
Room temperature is fine but if it's too cold the sheets could crack. If you're worried and don't want to turn the heating on for the sake of some candles then you can just run a hairdryer over the wax for a little while or tuck them into the airing cupboard if you have one.

You'll also need some scissors to cut the wick and a flat, smooth surface to roll on.

Cut a piece of wick that is a few centimetres longer than the width of the wax sheet. Lay it a few millimetres in from the short edge of the wax sheet and press it down nice and straight into the wax.



Turn the wax sheet so that the end with the wick is furthest away from you.

Carefully roll the wax over the wick and then continue rolling towards yourself trying to keep the edge as straight as possible.

When you get to the end press down on the wax to join the seam. Trim the wick flush at the flattest end and leave about one centimetre of wick at the other and that's it!