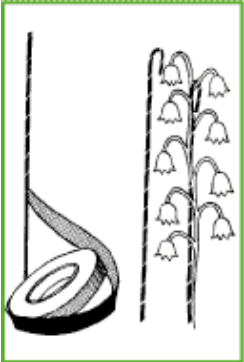


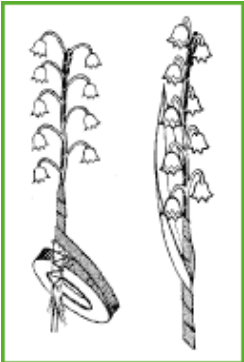
## Lily of the Valley - Wiring and Taping Techniques



Lily-of-the-Valley, when prepared expertly will last well in bouquets. There are a number of techniques for preparing this always popular wedding flower. However, for the best method, experts agree on the following instructions.

### Assembly Instructions

1. Use *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap to wrap a No. 30 gauge wire neatly and smoothly. Use light green color *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap because it blends well with the delicate green shade of the stems. Some designers cut 1/4-inch strips of light green *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap lengthwise and are able to use a very fine wire. However, it is satisfactory to use the regular 1/2-inch width *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap if you stretch it tightly and neatly around the wire. Please note that the above gauges of wires are suggested, but a good rule to follow is do not use any heavier wire than necessary to control the design of the flower.
2. Make a hook at one end of the *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap wires. Attach this hook around one of the top florets. Circle the wire down between the bells gently until you reach the bottom bell. The thin wires wound with *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap wire will blend in nicely almost unnoticed and extend down the natural stem.
3. Apply dry cotton wrapping, being careful that this does not become too large and bulky. Note that it is suggested you wrap with a dry cotton strip, then dip in water or use spray. Overwrap the moist cotton neatly and smoothly with green florist's *Parafilm*<sup>®</sup> wrap. Do not press too tightly.
4. Extend the stem with a heavier wire and add the natural tip of a leaf to help support and protect your flowers as well as to add a touch of color. When using florist's *Parafilm*<sup>®</sup> wrap over the moist cotton hold the flower down so that the moisture in the cotton is retained. If desired, overwrap with *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap.



It may seem awkward to circle the pips downward between the bells with the thin wires wound with *Floratape*<sup>®</sup> stem wrap, but with a little practice you can do it with surprising speed.

**Floratape**  
STEM WRAP

**USE FLORATAPE<sup>®</sup> STEM WRAP IN ALL YOUR FLORAL DESIGNS**  
*Floratape<sup>®</sup> stem wrap enables the modern designer to produce floral work of quality and beauty. This Floral Design Pointer is one in a series prepared by BEMIS FLEXIBLE PACKAGING in a series to florists.*

**ORDER NOW FROM YOUR WHOLESALE FLORIST**  
*Available in popular colors, economical and easy to use, Floratape<sup>®</sup> stem wrap along with Parafilm<sup>®</sup> florist stem wrap are manufactured by and are registered trademarks of BEMIS FLEXIBLE PACKAGING*

