

Leaf Printing Workshop

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For all ages

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Materials

- A selection of leaves that you can collect from outside. Try to pick tough leaves with strong veins on them that will create a good print. It is best to do this in early autumn before all the leaves have dropped off and become fragile. Try and find as many varieties as you can and name them.

You will also need

- old newspaper
- paint
- a paintbrush
- paper to print onto



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Instructions

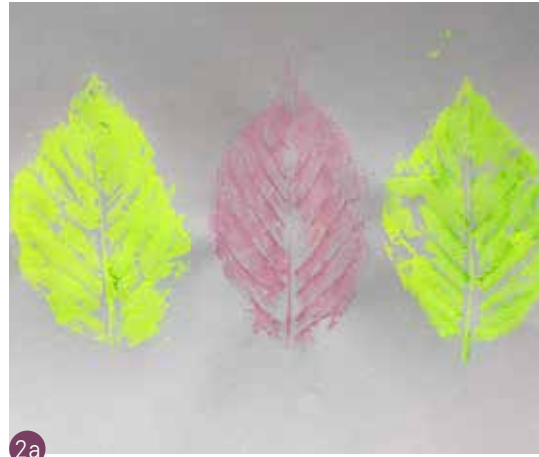
Step 1. Lay out some old newspaper to protect your table or floor. Mix up some paint colours in pots.

Take your first leaf and lightly paint the bumpy side. You only need a light coating of paint. The thicker the paint, the less detail you will get!

Step 2. Now place your leaf (painty side down) onto the plain paper. Press down on top of the leaf with

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your hand so you get a good print. Now slowly peel the leaf off the paper and take a look at the result!

Step 3. Try printing one painted leaf multiple times and see what results you get- sometimes it brings out more detail.

Step 4. Can you try creating some interesting repeat patterns and shapes or even make a leaf face or creature?

If you have some big sheets of paper maybe you can create some colourful leafy home made wrapping paper?

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