

Plant Prints

Bring the outside in with this fun art activity using scavenged plant materials.

Supplies

- Specimens to print (leaves, flowers, etc.)
- Paper or cardboard
- Acrylic paint
- Palette or plate to hold paint
- Paint brushes (optional)



Make sure to collect your specimens from public places, or ask permission before picking.

Instructions

- Take a walk around your neighborhood and collect some leaves, flowers, or other natural materials.
- Choose an object, and cover one side in paint. You can use a paint brush, or dip the object directly into a plate of paint.
- Press the object, paint side down, onto your paper or cardboard.
- Repeat with different objects and colors to create a picture or pattern.
- Let your art dry, and display it in your home.



Want to explore more?

- Try experimenting with applying different amounts of paint and pressure for different effects.
- Use your print as a background for more art or text.
- Learn more about local plants and animals with the iNaturalist or Seek by iNaturalist apps.

What will you learn today?