

A Coil Pot

(continued)

You may not create exactly what you were hoping for at first, but each creation you make is a work of art. You can keep your practice pieces to dry and paint, or ball them back up into some plastic or an air tight container with a wet paper towel to use later.

4. When your coil is pretty long, add a small amount of water to it with your finger to help hold it together while winding.
5. Wind it into a spiral to create the bottom of your pot.
6. Keep winding your coil upward to create the sides of your pot.
7. Add any decoration while the pot is still wet.



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Additional Supplies you may need:

Newspaper, Paper towels, Small plastic bowl for water, Resealable plastic bags for clay storage

Follow these step by step instructions to learn how to make your own pottery creations. Build, shape, and decorate pieces that glimmer and glow.

Let's get started!

You can also follow our online video tutorial at:



PAINT

- This paint is a non-toxic acrylic paint that will wash off skin with soap and water but may stain clothing, fabric and other surfaces.
- Before painting, mix the paint as it may settle or separate over time.
- If the paint seems too thick, add a drop of water and stir until it becomes the consistency of thick soup.
- When changing colors, rinse and dry your brushes thoroughly.
- When using the glow paint, charge it under the light for a few minutes to get it to glow in the dark.

Troubleshooting Tips & Fun Techniques

CLAY

Dry Clay - Get a small amount of water on your hands and work it into the clay.

Very Dry Clay - Cover with a wet paper towel. Place it into a plastic bag or airtight container. Let it sit for about 15 minutes.

Wet / Sticky Clay - Let it sit outside of the bag for a few minutes. Try wiping the clay with a dry paper towel. Knead the clay with dry hands.

- Try marbling two or three colors of the air dry clay to get a multicolored creation.



Hand Building with Clay

No wheel needed - just use your imagination!

Use the clay tools to create pottery and sculptures by hand.

- Sculpt and decorate using the double-sided tool provided.
- Let the pictures on the box inspire your own creative creations!



Time to Decorate

- Use neon, metallic, or glow paint for bright colors and fun effects.
- When your creation is completely dry, find a special place to display your work of art. Remember, the clay is fragile, so treat it with care. This clay is for decorative purposes only, and should not be used with food or beverages.



Clean Up Time

- Use a damp cloth to wipe the tools.
- All components should be fully dry before storing.
- Tips of double-sided tools can be removed for cleaning.



Pottery Fun Facts

- Ancient Pottery has been found from cultures all over the world—Ancient Greece, China, Egypt, and Native American tribes.
- Real ceramic clay must be fired in a kiln to become hard and waterproof, but your special air-dry clay dries all on its own—no kiln needed!
- Pottery is art + science—you use your hands and imagination, but also balance, timing, and texture to make it work!

Have fun sculpting and decorating your own masterpiece!

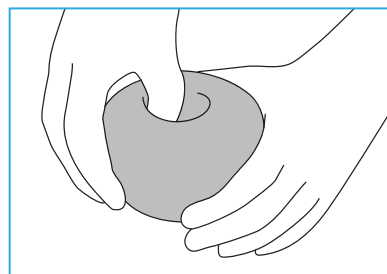
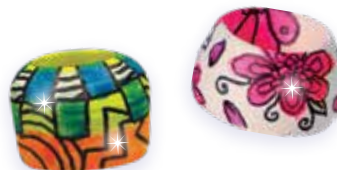


Working with Clay

- Clay dries from the top down and in thin areas before thick areas, so if you see cracking, add a little water with your finger but only enough to smooth out the cracks.
- Use the back of your paint brush to add stripes, dots, or other designs into the clay while it's still wet.
- Set aside to dry overnight in a safe spot. Drying times may vary depending on humidity.

Pinch Pot

1. Form a ball about as big as your palm.
2. Holding the ball with one hand, press your other hand's thumb into the center of your ball, but not all the way through.
3. Pinch the clay between your thumb and your fingers rotating around the ball creating the side of your pot.
4. Gently tap the base of your pot on the table to create a flat bottom
5. You'll notice your finger marks around the outside of the pot. You can leave these or smooth them out with some water on your fingers and gently rub the clay until it's smooth.

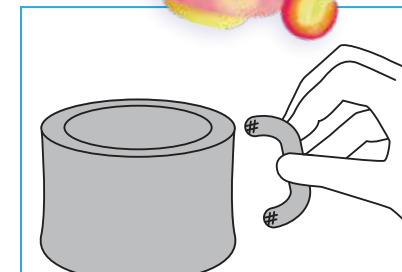
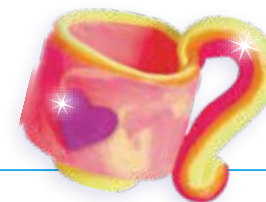


A Coil Handle

(to add to a vessel)

1. Form a ball half the size of your palm.
2. Start rolling the ball between your palms into a hot dog shape.
3. Place the shape onto your table and with your hands start rolling with even pressure from the center outward. This will lengthen your hot dog into a coil shape.
4. Add your coil handle onto your vessel by scoring each end of the coil and then adding slip to the vessel and the coil.
5. Use your finger to smooth the area where the handle meets the vessel.

***Follow steps 4 and 5 to attach any pieces of clay together.**



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