

Rock Painting

Description

We can use anything to create art, even nature itself! This activity uses paint materials you already have at home to create cute painted ladybug rocks!

Ages: 3+

Materials

- Paint (acrylic works best)
- Rocks
- Paint tray or paper plate
- Paintbrush
- Black permanent marker

Preparation

Go outside for a walk and pick out your rocks for painting. The smoother the better! Make sure to grab a few because you might want to make more than one or try out some different designs.

Directions

1. Wash the rocks to remove dirt and dust, wait until they are dry.
2. Cover the whole rock with red paint, you might need more than one layer of paint.
3. Once the red paint is dry, use a black permanent marker to draw a straight line down the middle of the rock.
4. Now draw a line across, near an end of the rock to create the head. You can either colour the



5. head in with the black marker or use black paint.
6. Draw and colour in black spots all over the red back.
7. Once the black head is dry, paint two white spots to be the eyes.
8. Leave to dry and then put a small black spot in the middle of each white eye.
9. Now that you have finished painting your ladybug, try out some other nature-inspired designs (e.g. bee, cactus, leaf, hedgehog, etc.) or create your own!

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