

# ARTPLAY AT HOME



## Earth Art

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# Create artworks outdoors with natural materials



## Instructions

The first step is to choose a place and a day when you can work outside. It could be your backyard, the park, in the playground, on holidays or anywhere else.

Look at where you are, what is special about this place? Which spot inspires you?

Next take a long walk and look closely for any natural art materials that you can find. Look for different textures, colours and shapes. Look for sticks, rocks, leaves, flowers, grasses, seeds and dirt.

Gather together all your natural art treasures in the spot you have chosen to work. Look for similar colours in things you have found, or maybe sort a collection of seeds or sticks from smallest to largest. Then start to arrange your seeds, leaves, flowers, sand, rocks or whatever else you have found into a pattern or into a shape. Remember to use the spot you have chosen, for example you can make a pattern around the base of a tree or a big rock or in the cracks in the ground.

Tip: Mixing dirt and water can be a great natural glue. Grasses can be used to tie sticks together. Paperbark can be woven.

Be inventive.

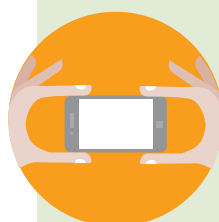
## You will need

- A keen eye to search for natural materials
- An outdoor location (Remember to respect your natural environment and don't damage any habitat or plants)
- Look up Andy Goldsworthy for inspiration

## Exhibition

**Stand back and look at your artwork, make adjustments if you need to, and decide when it is finished.**

**Photograph it, then leave your artwork for someone else to discover and enjoy...until the weather washes it back into the earth.**



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