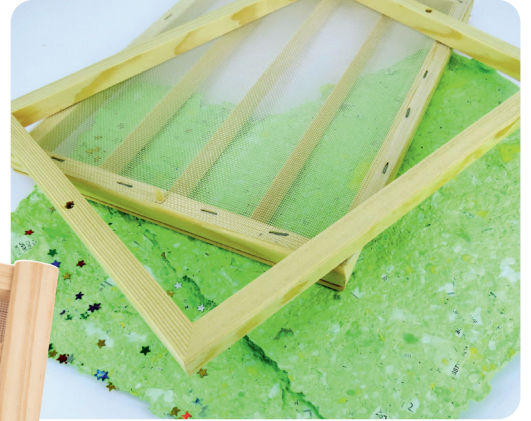


Paper Making Kit

Step-by-Step Instructions



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1 Prepare the Paper Pulp

Pour 1 cup of water (approx. 250 mL) into a container. Tear scrap paper into small pieces about 2–3 cm wide. Avoid using glossy, waxy or plastic-coated paper. Drop the torn paper into the container as you go.

2 Soak the Paper

Pour warm water over the shredded paper if it's not already warm. Soak for 1–2 hours (or overnight) until the paper is fully softened. This helps break down the paper fibres.

3 Mash into Pulp

Use your hands to mash the soaked paper until it becomes a mushy pulp. Optionally, use a wooden spoon or similar utensil to assist with mashing.

Tip: Wear gloves to prevent any potential staining.

4 Dilute the Pulp

Transfer the pulp into a large basin. Add enough water to create a “milky water” consistency. If the mixture is too thick, the paper will be lumpy. If it's too thin, the paper may be fragile.

5 Add Decorations (Optional)

Stir in creative extras such as:

- Dried flowers
- Glitter
- Small leaves
- Coloured threads

6 Form the Sheet with the Mould & Deckle

Hold the deckle (frame) over the mould (mesh screen). Dip both vertically into the pulp mixture. Lift them out horizontally and allow the water to drain through the mesh. Tilt gently to distribute the pulp evenly. Tap the frame lightly to settle the fibres and eliminate air bubbles.

7 Dry the Paper

Leave the paper to air dry for 3 to 16 hours, depending on thickness and weather. Place it on a flat, dry surface, away from wind and direct sunlight.

8 Remove and Press

Once completely dry, carefully peel the paper off the mesh. Trim any rough edges using scissors. Press the paper flat between heavy books or under a weight for 24 hours to smooth it out.