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Seed and Grain Mosaic



Materials

- Heavy Cardstock, Cardboard
- Pencil
- Clear glue, Mod Podge, or white glue
- Muffin tin or several small bowls
- Dry, uncooked beans, seeds, pasta



Color Examples

- Pinto beans, Pumpkin Seeds White
- Black beans Black
- Lentils Neutrals, Yellow, Brown, Orange
- Split peas Green
- **Kidney beans** Red
- Unpopped Popcorn Yellow

Step 1

Collect seeds of all sorts of shapes, sizes and color. Rice, beans, bird seed, corn kernels, sunflower seeds...

Step 2

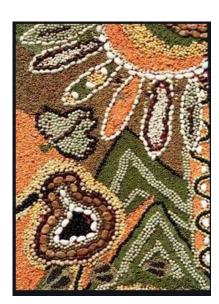
Cut poster board into the desired size for your mosaic.

Step 3

Think about a design for your mosaic picture and make a light sketch on the poster board. You can also glue or trace a template on the cardboard.

Step 4

Work on your mosaic a section at a time. Start with one shape or section in your picture. Paint or squeeze glue inside the shape. Spread the glue to the edges



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Step 5

Put seeds on the glue. Fill the shape with seeds.

Step 6

Continue gluing seeds a section at a time. Use different seeds for each section. You can use a small spoon to put the smaller seeds over the glue.

Step 7

Let the glue dry completely. Place wax paper on piece and press under a heavy cutting board or cookie sheet with books on top to prevent warping. Once dry, remove unglued, excess seeds off the picture.

Step 8

Fill any remaining gaps with glue and more seeds/beans.





