

Make a Leaf Mask!

What you'll need:



One large leaf, preferably a similar shape to your chosen animal



Paint



Small paintbrushes



Scissors

Tip: Choose a fresh leaf that's not too holey or dry so that you can paint it more easily



How to make your leaf mask:

Step 1

Think of a native UK animal that you would like to make a mask of

Step 2

Head outside and choose a colourful leaf that is as big as possible. Hint: leaves from the maple family can even produce leaves as big as your face!

If you can, choose a leaf that's a similar colour to your chosen animal

Step 3

With a friend, carefully mark out where your eyeholes need to be placed on the leaf. Carefully cut out the holes with the help of an adult.

Step 4

Paint your leaf to look like your chosen animal! Think about whiskers, the nose, and different colouring across the face

Step 5

Once dry, using the stem of your leaf, hold your mask up to your face and pretend to be your animal! Get your friends to guess which animal you are!



Tip:

Make your mask soon after you have collected your leaf to make cutting and painting much easier! Your leaf will start to curl up in the warm if left inside so you can add cardboard to the back to help it last longer!