

How to make potato stamps

Makes 2 stamps per potato

Prep 5 mins

You will need

large potatoes

shaped biscuit cutters

sharp knife

paint and paper

Method

1. Halve a potato lengthways to make a long stamp, or across the middle for a smaller stamp. Pat the cut ends dry with kitchen paper or a tea towel.
2. Press your chosen cutter into the cut end of one of the potato halves - it doesn't need to go all the way in, it's just to create an outline to follow. Carefully use the knife to cut into the potato and around the cutter to create a stamp.
3. Remove the cutter from the potato. Your stamp is now ready to use!
4. Cover a table with newspaper and squeeze a selection of paints into shallow pots or a tray. Lay out some paper for stamping - kids can either use a paintbrush to load the stamps with paint or dab them into the pots.

What if I don't have cutters?

Biscuit cutters are handy for making potato stamps, but not essential! You can use a knife to cut any shape you wish into the potato. Simple shapes or letters of the alphabet are good choices. Remember to be careful when using a knife.