



# Nature Printmaking

All Ages

## MATERIALS

Item you want to paint on.

Examples: fabric (canvas bag, t-shirt, bandana), paper, wood

Found Materials you want to print.

Examples: leaves, petals, sticks, seashells, pinecones, cut vegetables or fruits

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Additional Materials:

Paint

Newspaper

Heavy item to flatten

Plate

Mini paint roller

## DIRECTIONS

- Put a small amount of paint onto a plate.
- Roll the mini paint roller in the paint until the roller is completely covered.
- Lightly coat the “found material” in paint. Once the item is covered in paint, test it on a piece of scrap paper. The less paint you use, the more defined your print will be. Less is more!
- Now take the painted “found material” and firmly place it down on your piece of fabric, paper or wood. Repeat until you have the desired pattern. If you are using flat “found material,” like a leaf, use a heavy item to flatten the found fully. You can also use an old magazine or book to assist with the flattening.
- Try out other materials. Get creative and have fun!