

Hapa-Zome Printing

Hapa-zome printing is a natural form of printing in which you transfer the colour from flowers and leaves into fabric. This is a great hands-on activity and a perfect task for all ages, with supervision!

This type of printing consists of smashing flowers and leaves onto a piece of fabric using a hammer, to create a beautiful natural design.

Supplies

- Fabric (cotton works best)
- Fresh leaves and flowers
- Hammer or Mallet
- Wooden board

Method

- Place your piece of fabric on to your wooden board
- On one half of the fabric create a pattern using your freshly picked petals and leaves.
- Fold the other half of the fabric over the top of your plant and petal pattern.
- Carefully hammer the plants into the fabric with your hammer or mallet. You will see the colours coming from the plants, through the fabric. Keep hammering until the plants are flattened.
- Once you have finished, carefully unfold the fabric. Hang the fabric to dry, then brush off excess petals or leaves.

