

# Create some Animal Art

Do you like drawing, painting or making collages? Do you like exploring outside and collecting the things you find? If so, this is the challenge for you! Go outdoors with friends or family and collect leaves, twigs and anything else you can find to make an animal picture.

## STEP 1

First, you'll need a large piece of plain or coloured paper, PVA glue, paints, pencils or crayons.

## STEP 2

Think about the animal you want to create. Will it be your pet, a wild animal or even a made-up one? What colour is it? Where does it live?

## STEP 3

Once you've decided, head into your garden, local park or woodland. Collect things like bark, leaves, fir cones, snail shells and seedpods. Don't worry if you don't find all the colours you need – you can always paint them in!

## STEP 4

When you get home, sort through the things you collected. If some things are wet, put them in a warm room to dry for a couple of hours. Don't forget to wash your hands!

## STEP 5

Cover your table in newspaper to stop it getting mucky. Making animal art is a bit like doing a puzzle, only you don't know which pieces will fit until you try! Arrange the things you found on the paper in the shape of your animal. Be careful not to knock your picture!

## STEP 6

When you're happy, start gluing! Once you've finished sticking everything down, leave your artwork to dry.

## STEP 7

To finish your picture, take your paints, pens or crayons and draw a scene for your animal to live in. This could be a forest, a desert, a beach or even underwater! You could also add extra colour to your animal if you want.

## STEP 8

Now you can step back and admire your artwork. If you like, you could even frame it!

