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## Festive Potato Printing



## What you'll need

## - Kitchen knife

- Pencil or marker pen
- Plate for paint
- Paint brush and tissue
- Potatoes

Paint

- Paper
- Material (optional)
- Fabric Paint (optional)
- Cookie cutters (optional)

This festive printing activity is from participant Hayley. You can choose to make a framed picture for a keepsake or a gift, cut out your shapes as tree decorations or make Christmas cards or wrapping paper. Don't forget to share your creations with us using \#KeepingUsTogether.

## Top Tips / Take it Further

Use fabric paints on a spare plain pillowcase to make a giant stocking to use again and again, it might become a treasured part of Christmas!

Use fabric paints to print onto plain tote bags.

## Inspiration

https://www.bbcgoodfood.co m/howto/guide/how-make-potato-stamps
https://kidscraftroom.com/p otato-print-reindeer-christmas-cards

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## Step-by-step

Cut the potato in half with a knife and dab dry with kitchen roll.

Draw with a pencil or marker the design of your choice to make the stamp

Cut around the shape, leaving the design raised on the surface of the potato

Dab the stamp in the paint or brush the paint on the stamp. Make sure your stamp is fully covered

Press the potato stamp onto the paper and repeat the step above and this one. Go wild with your printing!

Experiment with overlapping shapes and also try different colours.

This idea works well all year round with non-festive shapes


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