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colour and fun for your table



Requirements

- 220 x 220 x 16 mm wooden blanks for potstand A and B
- Decorated ceramic tile, bird for project A and Eiffel tower for project B
- 1 green ceramic tile for project A and a blue tile for project B
- black mini ceramic or enamel tiles for project A border, and mixed reds and oranges for project B
- Set of words, code 1001 available in Afrikaans and English, and code 1009C letters for project B -ENJOY LIFE

Playful potstands



- Set of small flowers, code 104s for project A
- Cold glue or flexible tile adhesive to glue tiles and inserts
- Tile nippers
- Dove grey grout
- * All items available from Trunell.

Method
Step 1.



Place the decorated bird tile in the corner of the wooden blank and glue. The Eiffel tower tile can be placed more to the middle of the blank.

Start the border with the ceramic or

enamel tiles and glue after you spaced them evenly, spacing the words in between them in project A. Place the letters in project B to spell ENJOY LIFE or any other words that you prefer.



Step 2.

Place the flower inserts in project A and glue them.

Step 3.

Break the green or blue ceramic tile with your nipper into a variety of small pieces.



Step 4.

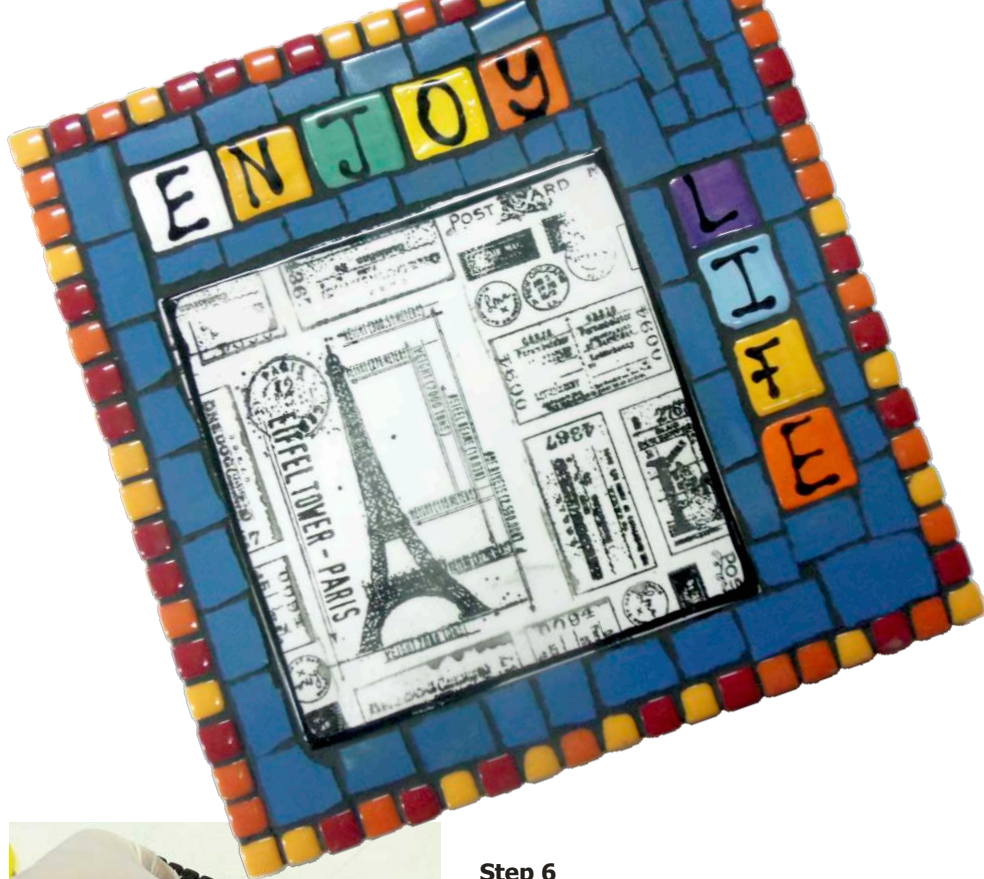
Mosaic the background. You can use the tile adhesive to glue this although I prefer to work with cold glue at this stage. Cold glue takes longer to dry and gives you time to move tiles around.

When finished, leave to dry.



Step 5.

Mix the grout as per manufacturer's instructions until you get the



consistency of mayonnaise.

Tip: Ceramic tiles are porous so the grout can be quite runny. If it's too thick it will be difficult to fill the gaps in between the tiles.

Use a rubber squeegee to remove the excess grout from the surface of the mosaic before completing the grouting.

Step 6

Use a paper towel to clean the grout off the tiles and then polish it with a soft cloth.



Step 7

Clean all the stubborn, excess grout off the inserts with an ice cream stick or toothpick. Paint the sides of the wood with craft paint to finish it off.

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