

Dinosaur Egg

Materials:

- Balloon
- Several sheets of fine newsprint (old telephone directories are good)
- About 4 sheets of white A4 copy paper
- Large empty jar plus lid
- [Elmer's Glue-All](#) (or similar) & Glue brush
- Masking tape & Scissors
- Rule (for tearing strips of paper along the grain, against the side of the rule, this gives nice soft edge for overlapping.)
- Acrylic or poster paints and paintbrush (if required)



How to make a dinosaur egg.

The completed egg on the little stand is an interesting object just as it is, however it would look superb decorated!

The egg is also a good shape for many other projects and appears on other pages as a shape for Bowls and Vases, also as a Piñata and a Teapot.

Making the paper egg shape.

1. Tear strips of fine newsprint along the grain, about 3 inches x 1 inch.
2. Fix the balloon to a jar or vase with 4 or 5 tabs of tape. Glue the strips of newsprint over half the balloon and leave to dry.
3. Turn the balloon over, re-fix to the jar or vase, and then cover the remainder of the balloon and leave to dry.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 to build up three or four layers. It's a good idea to use different coloured newsprint for alternate layers, so it is obvious when a layer is completed.
5. For the final layer use torn strips of white copy paper as this gives a good plain surface for painting.
6. A stand for the egg can be made by covering the outside of a jar lid with a single layer of glued paper, and painted as required. The egg will sit snugly into the upturned lid (see above).



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4



Step 5



Step 6