

Acrylic Pour



Low effort + stunning result = acrylic pour!

This painting technique creates a mesmerizing marbled quality, perfect for home décor.

Supplies:

- Two (2) wooden coasters
- Three fluid ounces (3 fl. oz.) pouring medium
- Half fluid ounce (0.5 fl. oz.) silicon
- Six (6) cups
- Four (4) popsicle sticks
- Glitter
- Brown paper bag
- Gloves
- Three fluid ounces (3 fl. oz.) acrylic paint in three (3) colors
- Water



Instructions:

1. Cover your level work surface with a brown paper bag, newspaper, or other protective covering. Wear gloves during the craft to keep your hands clean.
2. Pour approximately one fluid ounce (1 fl. oz.) of paint into a plastic cup (**Fig. 1**). Repeat for the remaining two (2) paint colors. Add glitter to one or several paints if desired.
3. Add approximately one fluid ounce (1 fl. oz.) of pouring medium into each cup (**Fig. 2**). This creates a ratio of one part paint to one part pouring medium (1:1).
4. Mix each color with a popsicle stick (**Fig. 3**).
5. The ideal paint consistency is warm honey. In other words, your paint should easily drip off the popsicle stick in a steady stream. If your paint is too thick, add a splash of water and mix (**Fig. 4**). Remember, you can always add more water, but can never take it out.
6. Add two to three (2-3) drops of silicon into each cup of paint. Silicon creates paint 'cells', or areas of color that retain their shape, do not blend, and create a marbled look. Mixing the silicon into the paint creates small cells. For large cells, do not mix.
7. One at a time, layer your paint colors into a single cup (**Fig. 5**). Try to pour each additional color into the center of the cup.



8. Turn over the two remaining, empty cups. Place your coasters on over-turned cups, face up. This will allow paint to drip freely onto the protected work surface below rather than pooling around the coaster, drying on your piece and sticking it to your work surface.
9. Pour your single cup of paint on to the suspended coasters (**Fig. 6**); don't forget to cover the edges!
10. Tip the coasters back and forth to cover the surface and to change the shapes and patterns in your paint. If desired, add glitter to the coaster.
11. Return the coaster to the over-turned cup. Wipe off any drips from the bottom of the coaster using a popsicle stick (**Fig. 7**). It is much easier to wipe off the drips now rather than sanding the dried drippings away later.
12. Let the coasters dry completely.

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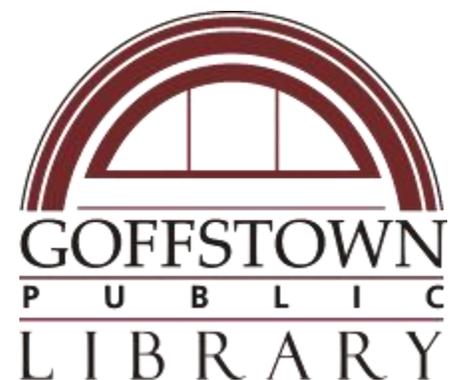




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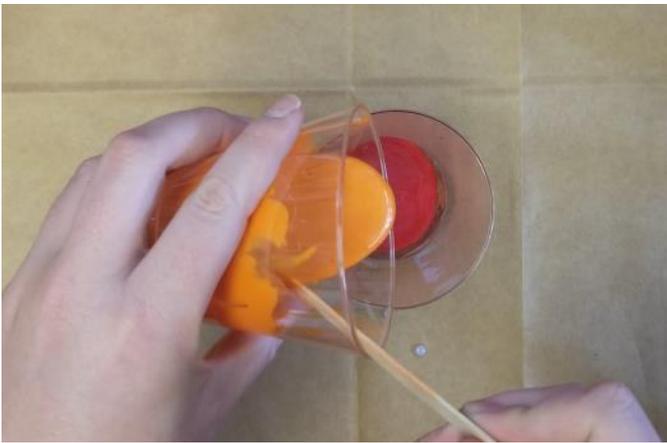


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