

Stencil

TECHNIQUES



We used
LAYERING TECHNIQUES
with multiple stencils to achieve
these farmhouse kitchen designs.



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E-I-E-I-OH!

Here, we lightly traced a barnyard stencil with pencil before using a wood-burning tool to etch the lines and letters. Then we traced a mandala stencil inside the animal shapes and used an extra-fine paintbrush to fill in the paint.



ON THE MENU

Turn your kitchen into a culinary experience with custom artwork! We used a wreath stencil and multiple shades of green acrylic paint (just look at the depth of color!). When the paint was dry, we outlined individual leaves from the same stencil and added a welcoming message.



TEA TOWEL

Supplies: towel, stencils, paint, paint cups and sponge daubers.

STEP 1:

Lay towel flat and place first stencil. Use sponge dauber to dab paint over stencil. Let dry completely.



STEP 2:

Center top stencil over previously stenciled section and paint as before. Let dry completely.

STEP 3:

And you're done! By layering individual stencils, you've created your own absolutely unique design!



RAISED TEXTURE

Did you know the raised designs on these projects were made with stencils?

We experimented with a variety of unconventional mediums to create the texture—and believe it or not, wood filler and tile grout (used separately, not together) gave us the best results.





IT'S A SIGN

Don't wait for a sign—make one! We used white tile grout (mixed with gray paint) for a 3D effect on this wood plaque. We placed the stencil, spread a generous scoop of tinted grout over the design, and smoothed with a putty knife, removing the stencil while grout was still wet. When the piece was dry, we lightly sanded everything to clean up the edges.

MAKE NEW

Breathe new life into an old table! We added imitation scrollwork to this table by using a putty knife to spread wood filler over a stencil on the drawers—which we then painted to match the table. The next day, we applied a crème wax over the entire project. Now it looks like the drawers were hand-carved!



TRUE TO TEXTURE

Take an up-close look at the texture created by using grout instead of regular paint inside the foxglove stencil. Add a little oomph to your next project with the same technique!



TEXTURED VASE:

Supplies: glass vase, tile grout, spray adhesive, acrylic paint, stencil, paintbrushes, sandpaper and putty knife.



STEP 1

Paint vase as desired. When paint is dry, secure stencil to vase with stencil adhesive.



STEP 2

Spread grout evenly over stencil with putty knife, and peel off stencil. Let grout dry completely.



STEP 3

Sand away any rough edges, distress the vase as desired—and you've created a beautiful raised design!



RESIST TECHNIQUE

Masking fluid resists paints, stains and antiquing mediums. Just stencil it onto a bare surface, let it dry, and apply the color. When your project is dry, peel off the masking fluid to reveal the reverse design. That's how we created these garden-ready pretties.





POTTED PRETTIES

We painted latex masking liquid over a leaf stencil. Then we applied a layer of chalk paint. When the paint was fully dry, we peeled off the latex mask to expose the clay. *Tip: We created a vintage distressed look by adding color tint here and there.*

GLAZE OF GLORY

A patina kit (and some masking fluid!) makes this tray DIY a dream-come-true! Paint the tray with the primer from the kit and when it's dry, stencil on the masking fluid. When the mask is dry, follow the instructions in the kit to apply the oxidizing paint and aging solution. Psst... when you're done, don't forget to remove the mask to expose the color underneath!



TOOLBOX

Supplies: wood box, hard-coat decoupage medium, alphabet stencils, spray adhesive, stencil tape, clear satin varnish, wood stain and paintbrushes.



STEP 1:

Sand box. Spray stencils with adhesive and place on box (tape for extra security). Brush hard-coat decoupage medium over stencils and let dry.



STEP 2:

Remove stencils. Mix wood stain with clear satin varnish and apply mixture to box, wiping away excess with paper towel.



STEP 3:

Admire your handiwork! The decoupage medium keeps the stain from coloring the wood anywhere it's applied, making the letters appear!

