

Make an exquisite egg

You will need

Real or fake eggs
Large pin or needle
Drinking straw
Paint and paint brushes
PVA glue
Ribbon
Beads, buttons or other decorations



Age 4+ (with supervision)

What to do

1. If you are using fake eggs (plastic or card ones) then you can go straight to Step 3. If you are using real eggs, carefully pierce both ends of an egg with the pin – an adult should supervise this.
2. Take the straw and place the end of it over the bottom hole, then blow out all of the egg through the top hole. Gently pour water through the holes in the egg to rinse the inside, and then leave to dry.
3. Choose a colour to paint your egg. Use two thin coats of paint, letting the first coat dry before starting the second.
4. Pick your favourite buttons, beads or other decorations, and carefully glue them to your egg.
5. Thread a length of ribbon through the holes in the egg, tying a knot at the bottom. Now you have an exquisite egg to display!

Top tips

- If you add a little washing up liquid to the paint, it will stick to the eggshell better.
- Make your egg sparkle by adding some home-made gems. You could paint dried pulses such as lentils using glitter glue or paint.
- Use some PVA glue to make your egg shiny – paint a coat of glue all over it, leave it to dry and it will then glisten in the light.