

DIY ART-MAKING: COLORFUL SALT JARS



ABOUT COLORFUL SALT JARS

These colorful salt jars are not only decorative, but are functional. If working with smaller children, this activity helps build fine motor skills, vocabulary, and demonstrates the process of color mixing.

MATERIALS

- Salt-about 4 lbs (We like using Himalayan pink salt)
- Food coloring -use primary colors to explore color mixing
- 4 or more mixing containers with lids
- Spoons for each color
- Glass jars with lids (Mason jars, baby food jars, jam jars, etc)
- Optional: Eye dropper (For adding food coloring)

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1 **Dying the Salt**

Pour a cup of salt into a mixing container and add 3 drops of food coloring to create the desired color.

Step 2

Screw the lid on the jar and shake well until the color is mixed all the way through the salt. Repeat step 1 with additional salt containers until you have the number of colored salts you'd like.

Step 3 **Filling the Jars**

Use a small spoon to scoop salt into jars, one color at a time to create a pattern until jar is filled to the top. Keep the jar steady to avoid a high degree of color mixing.

Step 4

Screw the lid onto the jar. Poke holes into the lid to use as seasoning or leave without holes to keep as work of art.