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Activities at Home

Foam Dye Your Face Mask!

Here is a fun and easy way to make a boring mask into a work of art you wear on your face.

What you need:

Mask(s)	A shallow tray	Large bowl	Liquid dye
Squeeze Bottle	Shaving foam	Spatula	Vinegar (1 cup)
Salt (1/4 cup)	Water (1 gallon)	Paper towels	Drop cloth (optional)

First get your set-bath ready before you begin the dying process. Take the large bowl and pour in the salt, vinegar, and water. Mix until the salt is all dissolved. Set this aside.

Now get ready to dye. (Make sure you use something like a drop cloth or old towel to protect your work surface from any spilled dye.) Put a layer of shave foam on the tray. Use as much as you'll need to create space for the object that you are dying. Now smooth it out using the spatula or an icing spreader.



Next take your dye- if you haven't already, you'll want to put some of the dye into your squeeze bottles or you could also use a dropper. Then drip your dye onto the foam in the pattern you want. This could be a polka dot pattern, or you can use a tool of some kind to create a design with the dye dripped onto the foam. The picture on the right shows a marble pattern I created by pulling a toothpick through the dye. Experiment and have fun!



Once you have your dye in the pattern that you want, take your mask and carefully lay it on top of the foam. Then use your hands to carefully smooth the mask into the foam and the dye. The longer your mask sits on the dye- they darker the design. Next lift the mask out of the foam and see what your design looks like!



Rinse the mask with clean water. Put your completed mask into the set bath. Swirl it around a little bit and make sure it gets thoroughly wet. Then let it sit-- 12-24 hours is best.



Take your mask out of the water, rinse it with clear, fresh water and hang it to dry.

Next time you go out- wear your one-of-a-kind work of art!

