

Spud Print Starry, Starry Skies!

You will need :

a potato , a cutting board and a knife.

For the printing bit, you'll need :

Paper, a brush (or a roller, or fingers!) and some paint.



1. Cut the potato in half. Cutting horizontally will give you the biggest star.

Worm holes are an added bonus in space!



2. Draw your star as big as possible onto the potato.

Try putting five dots around the edge to guide where the points go.

3. Remember: Wonkiness Adds Character!

4. You may want to practice on some paper first, or draw onto paper over the spud, then score around the outline.



5. Carefully cut away the bits around the outside of the star, removing a slice roughly half a centimetre thick.

6. Blot any moisture on the surface before adding paint.—this is your first print!



7. Add a smooth layer of **paint** onto the flat surface of the star.

8. You can use a **brush, roller or fingers!**

9. **Top tip:** if the paint doesn't stick to the surface **blot** the potato dry. A blob of **PVA glue** mixed in may help the paint to stay on the potato in a layer, more like printing ink.

10. **Another tip:** it's a good plan to have a different colour on another spud so it doesn't all turn to mud colour.

11. **Cut and fold** your card before printing (or you can cut it out when it's dry and stick it on).

12. Why not try printing cards, tags, and even wrapping paper! (Best not to print your stars too close together or it'll take forever)

HAPPY PRINTING!

What other shapes would be fun to try?
Hearts, triangles, moons, holly leaves....

