

LEAF PRINTING

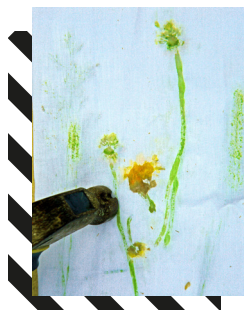
(HAPA ZOME)

Hapa Zome, translating as 'leaf dye', is the Japanese method of creating prints of leaves and flowers by smashing the colour out of them into fabric or paper.

YOU WILL NEED...

- 1 Collect some flower, grass or leaves.
- 2 Arrange them on one half of your paper or fabric
- 3 Fold the other half of the paper or fabric over the top.
- 4 Hit the flowers and leaves through the top of the paper or fabric with the hammer.
- 5 Open the paper or fabric back up and peel off the mashed flowers and leaves.

- ▶ A hammer
- A hard surface to work on – you might want a scrap piece of wood or chopping board to protect your surface
- ▶ Leaves (they need to be fresh and 'juicy'. Shiny leaves like holly are too tough to work), flowers, grass (long pieces with the seeds on work well). Experiment and have fun trying different plants
- Watercolour or blotting paper, or fabric (cotton is fine)



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