



P005 The Handprint

A fun and very simple kiddies project for the very young, working with Café Colors. Under 4 years will require adult supervision.

All bisque items should be cleaned with a barely damp sponge to remove all dust prior to decorating, always avoid wetting the piece.

Items:

Bisque piece- 11- C38 Coupe Charger Plate

Colors:

Café Colors- CC069, CC157, CC053, CC125

Tools:

Small soft round brush #1 or #0

Fine liner brush (adults only)

Large soft glaze brush

Round sponge

All products should be stirred or shaken prior to use ensuring contents of bottle have been thoroughly mixed.

Wash hands prior to painting. Wash straight after creating hand print with soapy water.

Step 1. On a tile or palette apply a generous amount of CC069 or any other color from the Café Color series. If the color appears thick, add a little water and mix thoroughly. With a large soft glaze brush apply a generous coat of color to one hand; make sure the paint has covered any crevices in the fingers, thumb and palm of the hand, holding the hand out flat will help. Gently press the hand onto the plate, pressing down on the fingers and the palm very carefully.

This can be done with your ‘freehand’. Children will require assistance with this step. Press ‘gently’ on top of their fingers and then the palm of their hand.

When finished slowly peel the hand away from the plate.

Wash hands thoroughly with soapy water.

If the plate or item is large enough you may like to add another hand print, even create a pattern with the hand prints.

Step 2. On a palette or tile; squeeze a small amount of CC157, add a little water and mix thoroughly. For children who are old enough and can write their name ask them to write their name on the plate and a date with a small soft round brush. For adults who will be writing for children that are too young, ideally use a fine liner brush or small brush with thin long soft bristles. Practice on a sheet of paper before hand; try different ways to write your name.

Step 3. Squeeze a small amount of CC125 on a palette with a small amount of CC053, and with a round sponge dab into these 2 colors, sponging gently around the rim of the plate to finish.

The handprint can also be a creative workshop for children who are a little older; creating other images with handprints such as birds, butterflies, flowers etc.

Once completed ask them to add their name and date, then dip glaze and fire to cone 06-04.

