

Level: Easy

Try decorating your mugs, vases or bowls with unique designs using this simple technique.

What you need:

Liquitex Glossies

Masking Tape

Methylated Spirits

Palette Knife

Brushes

Rubber Gloves

Mugs



What you do:

1. Wipe the surface of the mug thoroughly using methylated spirits or alcohol wipes and allow to dry.
2. Stir the Liquitex Glossies for 60 seconds to ensure there is no settlement at the bottom of the jar.
3. Hold the mug horizontally. Take the Liquitex Glossies and drip the paint directly onto the mug from the jar. Rotate the mug in your hands by holding the handle, so the paint moves around the surface of the mug. Apply a second colour, alternate dripping one colour on top of the other so they blend together to create a different finish. You can also use a plastic palette knife to move the paint around the surface of the mug. Bear in mind that you will not be able to fully control the paint so each design will be unique.
4. Use the palette knife and scrap off any paint dribbles that may have collected at the base of the mug.
5. An alternative application of the Liquitex Glossies paint is to first mask off areas of the mug using masking tape. With a brush, paint in the areas you want coloured. Wait ideally 24 hours for the surface to settle before carefully removing the masking tape. There will be some bleeding so you will not get sharp clean edges. If you desire this look, replace the masking tape with Frisket Film.
6. Place mugs on a baking tray in the middle of a cool oven (160 C) for 45 minutes. Then remove from the oven and allow to cool before using mugs. Use warm soapy water to clean your decorated mug. Do not put finished product in the dishwasher.

TIPS: Clean up any spills or tools with warm soapy water.