

YIELD: 1 PROJECT

How to Decoupage

Do you want to learn how to decoupage the right way? This tutorial shows you the seven most important steps to Mod Podging correctly!



PREP TIME 10 minutes	ACTIVE TIME 20 minutes	TOTAL TIME 30 minutes
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DIFFICULTY Easy	ESTIMATED COST \$5
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Materials

- Surface
- Mod Podge
- Scrapbook paper or fabric
- Acrylic paint (optional)

Tools

- Paintbrush
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Craft knife and mat (optional)

Instructions

1. Prepare your surface. Almost any surface can be used to create a decoupage project. Suitable surfaces include wood, papier mache, terra cotta, tin, cardboard and glass. Optional: basecoat your surface with acrylic paint.
2. Pick your Mod Podge formula.
3. Prepare Items to be Mod Podged. Cut out the paper or whatever it is that you are planning to decoupage. Experiment with design elements to determine the layout of the piece.
4. Cut items to fit the surface. Measure as necessary, with a ruler and a pencil, and trim items to fit.
5. Adhere each element with your Mod Podge. Always start with the underlying design elements and work upward (when layering). Apply a medium coat of Mod Podge to the surface.

6. Smooth, Smooth, Smooth. Keep smoothing until all of the bubbles are removed. Then, AND THIS IS IMPORTANT, let the project dry for 15 – 20 minutes. Don't put a top coat on right away.
7. Add a protective coat of Mod Podge to the project using a sponge or flat brush. Allow to dry and then repeat. Let dry before using.

Notes

Only SOME plastics are okay for decoupage – I recommend testing a small area before completing your entire project to make sure that the Mod Podge will adhere.



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