

Mother's Day Stencil Cards



Create a unique card that looks like a mini oil painting using oil pastels and a stencil made from wax paper and masking tape.

Good for ages 8 and up.

Supplies:

- Oil Pastels
- Colored construction paper
- X-acto knife, utility knife or sharp steak knife
(Use only with adult guidance!)
- Masking tape
- Wax paper
- Pencil
- Scissors
- 2 foam plates

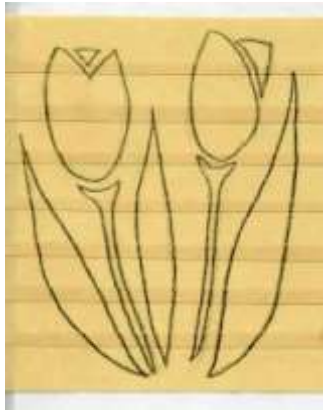
Directions:



1. Lay strips of masking tape (about 5" long) side by side on a piece of wax paper. Make sure they overlap a bit.



2. Trim with the scissors to create a rectangle. Leave a little wax paper at the ends.



3. Draw a tulip design, as shown with the pencil.



4. Stack the 2 foam plates together and lay the tape drawing on it. Using the knife, cut out the shapes as shown. (The plates will protect your table from being slashed.) **Children MUST do this with adult guidance!**



5. Peel off the wax paper and carefully stick the stencil to a piece of colored construction paper. Press down well.



6. Rub a red oil pastel around the edges of the flower petals. Rub a dark green oil pastel around the edges of the leaves.



7. Rub in some orange, yellow and orange oil pastel into the middle of the flower petals. Rub some light green into the middle of the leaves. Be sure to blend the colors well when you do this step.



8. Carefully remove the masking tape stencil. Trim your design to center the flowers.



9. Paste your design onto a colored construction paper card and add a "Happy Mother's Day" greeting under it.