

AVERAGE DURATION

CHALLENGE LEVEL

2 hours



A trendy cactus travel mug that's fun and easy to paint!

CACTUS TRAVEL MUG



MATERIALS

- Bisque: Travel Mug with Lid

- Pen or Pencil
- Medium Round Brush
- Small Round Brush
- Large Flat Brush
- Sea sponge
- Writer Bottle
- Decorative Sand

- Colors:
29, 8, 49, 82, 5, 46, 18, 30, 72

TIPS

- Get creative with shapes and positions of cactus plants around the mug.
- Make sure to have two coats of the base color applied in the lower portion of the mug before adding sand texture.
- Clean the tip of the writer bottle often as you paint the cactus thorns.

TEMPLATE FILE NAME N/A

THEME Cactus

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MARKETING [Google Drive Shared/Projects/CactusTravelMug](#)

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Paint the lower part of the mug with two coats of # 30 using a large flat brush. This will be the ground.
2. Lightly mark basic positioning of each cactus around the mug to establish how tall and how wide each one will be.
3. Paint each cactus using a medium round brush and multiple greens: # 29, 8, 82 and 49. Start with the main trunk of each cactus and then paint any additional parts. Add deeper and darker brush strokes following the shapes of the plants. Work the handle into one of the plants to make it more fun.
4. Use a small round brush to paint the flowers. Make short and pointy brush strokes coming out of one spot you pick on the top of each cactus. Make the flowers yellow, orange, and pink.
5. Add white spikes to each cactus by using a writer bottle filled with white # 67.
6. Add some texture to the base of the mug. Mix sand with # 72 and apply it over the ground base painted in step 1. Do this with a sea sponge. Make sure the sponge is slightly damp, or it will be too hard to use.

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