AVERAGE DURATION CHALLENGE LEVEL 2 hours

Make a mushroom mug like this. Feel closer to Nature and travel with style!

MUSHROOM TRAVEL MUG



MATERIALS

- Plain Travel Mug Curved CCX073
- Air Can Duster Sponge • Pen • Contact Paper • Scissors • Tweezers • Small Round Brush • Liner Brush • Large Flat Brush • Sea Sponge
- Paints: 27, 29, 41, 88, 13, 30, 61, 82, 67 Duncan Shimmer Glazes: Amethist SH511 & Garnet SH512

TIPS

- For best results, please read all instructions before beginning project.
- Do not wet the bisque prior to using contact paper. It will only stick to dry bisque.
- Keep one hand inside of the mug while sponging around the outside.

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Use an air can duster to remove ceramic dust from the mug.

2. Cut a dozen of irregular strips out of contact paper. Make some of the strips about as tall as the mug and some shorter. Make these strips to look like mushroom stems, wider at the bottom and narrower at the top.

3. Stick the stems to the mug one by one. Angle and overlap them as you see fit, or copy the sample photo. Make sure to leave some room for the caps in the upper section of the mug. Fold extra length of the stems over to the base of the mug.

4. Add mushroom caps to the stems. Draw various shapes and sizes of mushroom caps on contact paper, cut them out, and stick them on top of the stems. See the sample image.

5. Use a plain sponge to paint the background. Start with light green # 27 and cover the lower half of the mug. Continue with # 29 and cover the lower third of the mug all around. Sponge the upper two thirds of the mug with purple # 41. Blend purple into the green by slightly overlapping sponged layers. Finish the background by sponging some shimmery purple over the upper half of the mug.

6. Use tweezers to remove all contact paper shapes and reveal the mushrooms.

7. Paint the stems of the mushrooms using # 88 and a small round brush.

8. Paint the caps. Start with one coat of # 13, then add # 30 closer to the tops. Finish with shimmery Garnet.

9. Add fine lines to the mushroom caps using # 61 and a liner brush. Also add some light shadows to the stems where they are overlapping each other to indicate that one stem is in front of another. Water down the brown for the shadows to be subtle.

10. Use a sea sponge to add # 82 along the base of the mug.

11. Use a large flat brush to paint inside of the mug with two to three coats of # 29.

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