

Make your own...

## DINOSAUR EGGS

### What you need:

Vinegar

Food colouring or paint

Wax crayons

Cooking oil

Eggs (white eggs show the colours and patterns better)



**TIP!** You could crack open your egg, put a baby dinosaur inside and make a nest for it!

### The method we found best:

1. Mix 250ml cold water with 2 tablespoons of vinegar and 5ml of food colouring.
2. Boil the egg for 6 minutes.
3. If you would like a pattern you can draw on the egg in wax crayon.
4. Place the egg in the dye solution for 6 minutes then remove.
5. When dry, rub cooking oil on the eggs to make them shiny.

Or you can simply paint them with any colour you fancy!



Photo courtesy of Louise Allen

**TIP!** A traditional method is to hard boil your eggs for about 10 minutes with onion skins – the eggs come out brown but the bits of onion skin that press against them in the pan create patterns. You can also use coffee grounds, cochineal, red cabbage or flowers like celandine. You can wind string around the eggs first and they come out with spiral patterns on them or tie ferns or cow parsley leaves around the egg for intricate patterns.

NOTE: Egg shells will absorb whatever you have painted onto your egg so we don't recommend eating it!

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