

Leaf Placemats

Category	Crafts
Advancement	Living with Nature
Time to allocate (mins)	
Outcome	Placemats for cooking competition
	Wax paper
Resources	Iron
	Leaves
	Towel
Instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Send the Cubs outside to collect colored leaves.• Shave crayons. You can use a knife but adults need to do this part. Shave the crayons into a paper plate and try to keep the colors separated• Cut wax paper about 12-18 inches. This depends on the size you'd like your placemats. You'll need 2 pieces for each placemat cut approximately the same length.• Place one sheet of wax paper down and have the kids place their colored leaves on it. The leaves should not overlap and there should be at least 2 inches all around the edge that do not have leaves.• Sprinkle shaved crayon in between the leaves on the wax paper• Place 2nd piece of wax paper directly on top of the leaves and crayons, trying to line it up with the bottom piece• An adult will then place a dishtowel over the wax paper and iron it making the 2 pieces melt together as well as the wax from the crayons• Once totally secure to each other, trim all sides to make them even. You can use pinking shears if you'd like to get fancy• **To make the process easier. Have a towel down for each child's work area and you can simply have the child move to you can go in and iron. Then nobody gets burned!

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