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Leaf Collages

75 ideas and inspiration for collages
made with autumn leaves

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HOW TO MAKE IT

Leaf Collages

Leaf collages can be made from pressed or fresh leaves. You can use leaves from trees, bushes, shrubs, flowers and even herbs. Fields or meadows, forests, gardens and parks all offer a wide selection, but be careful! Some leaves have thorns, such as holly, or they can irritate your skin, such as stinging nettles, or they're poisonous like poison ivy. If you want your collage to be colorful, use fall leaves of several different colors.

Pressed leaves

We recommend using an old book for pressing leaves. Place the leaves between the pages and weigh the book down with other heavy books on top. The more pressure placed on the leaves, the more likely they are to retain their original color and not turn brown. After 3-4 weeks, the leaves will be dry and paper-thin, depending on their natural thickness, so they should be handled delicately, otherwise they'll likely break. Artwork made with pressed leaves has the advantage of lasting a long time. There are also various plant presses you can buy.

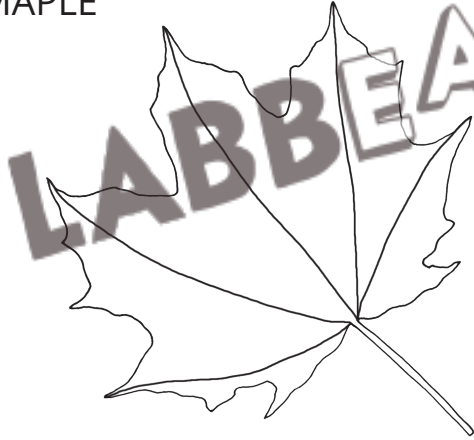


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Leaf collages made with fresh leaves don't last very long, but it's a great introduction to playing and creating with leaves. You can glue fresh leaves to paper with glue or a glue stick so that they stay in place. So your collage is completely made from nature, use leaves to also make the eyes. To do this, punch dots out of leaves with an ordinary hole punch and glue them on. If you want to preserve a particularly beautiful picture you've created, you can also press it in an old book afterwards.

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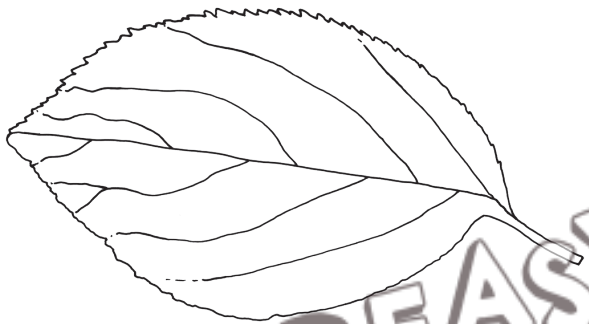
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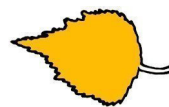
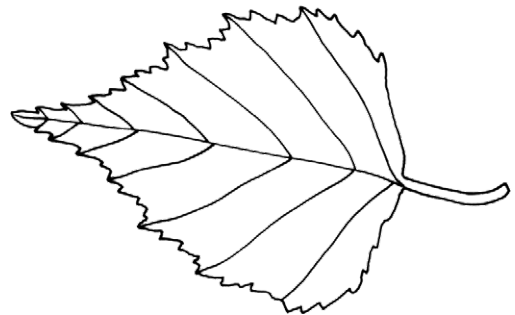
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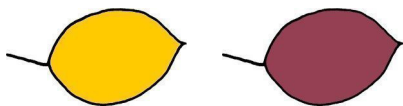
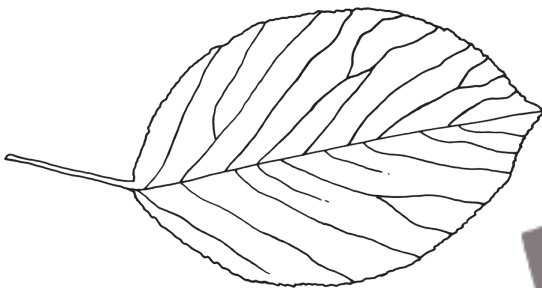
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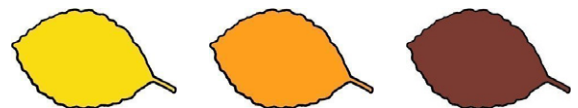
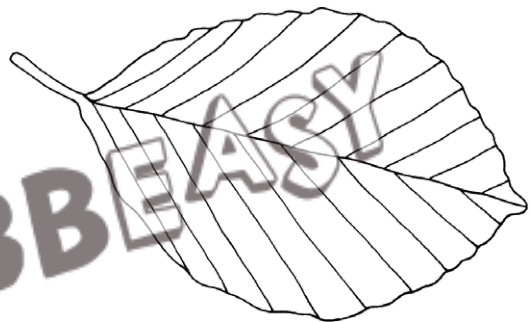
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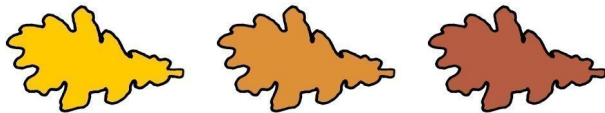
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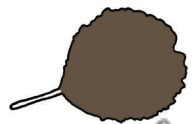
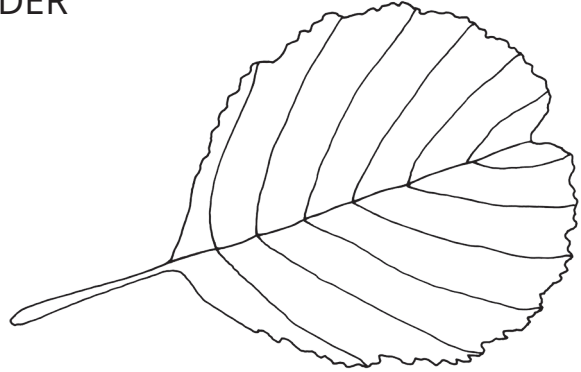
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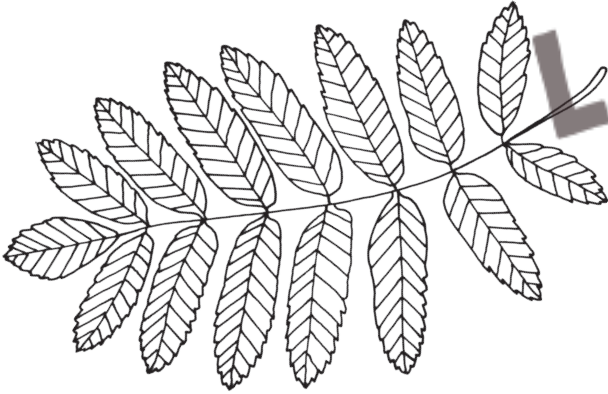
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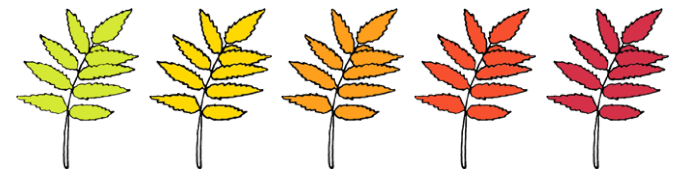
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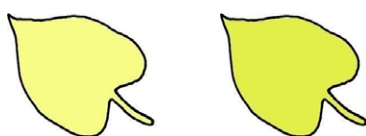
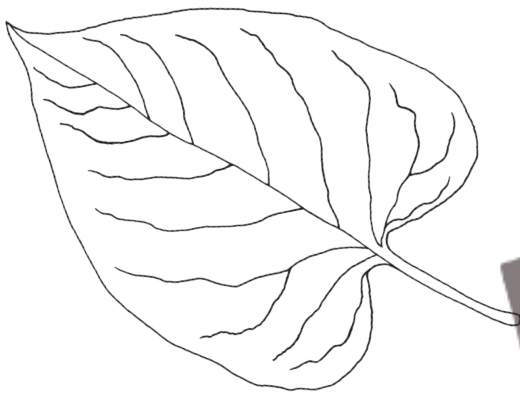
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