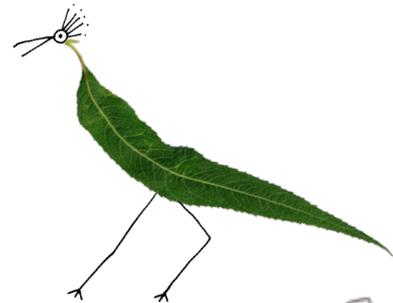
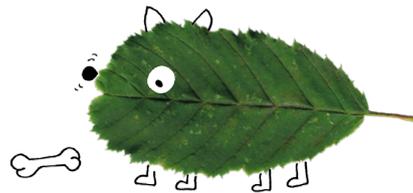
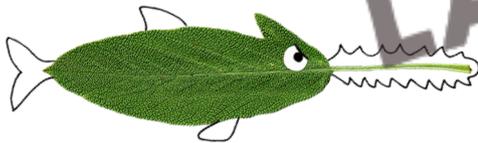


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70 templates for making creatures with leaves to copy or create yourself and use for inspiration



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PRINT SETTINGS

Please use Acrobat Reader to print and make sure that the settings 'Actual size' and 'Auto portrait/landscape' are selected.

SAVE PAPER & TONER

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INSTRUCTIONS

Leaf Creations

These leaf creations can be made from pressed or fresh leaves. You can use leaves of 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 creation to be colorful, use fall leaves of several different colors.

PRESSED LEAVES

We recommend using an old telephone book for pressing leaves. Place the leaves between the pages and weigh the phone book down with other thick 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.

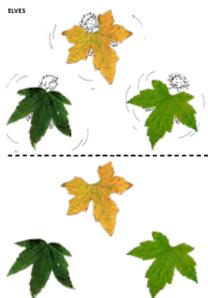
FRESH LEAVES

Artwork made with fresh leaves doesn't last very long, but it's a great introduction to playing and creating with leaves. You can glue fresh leaves to paper so that they stay in place. If you want to preserve a particularly beautiful artwork you've created, you can always press it in a phone book afterwards.

CREATING LEAF CREATURES

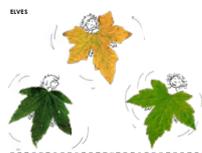
We recommend using a black felt-tip pen for drawing, but you can also use a thick drawing pencil. To make the eyes, you can use paper confetti, like the paper dots from a hole punch. Larger eyes and other body parts, such as the dog ears, can be cut out of scraps of paper and glued on with glue or a glue stick.

COPY AND DRAW



As a warm up, these 15 worksheets can be printed out and used to draw on the leaves.

DO IT YOURSELF



Glue on your own leaves in the lower half of these 15 worksheets and draw the creatures you like.

INSPIRATION



These 6 pictures each tell a story. They are intended to encourage children to use their imaginations and create their own stories using leaves.

GHOSTS



