

Hands-on: Make a Viking shield

Materials and tools

- Cardboard box
- Optional: a washing ball, a plastic cup or similar (for the shield boss)
- Glue gun
- Pencil and craft knife/scissors
- Craft paint (e.g. grey and gold) and a brush
- Large saucepan lid, tray or another round object to draw around



Instructions

1 You need to cut:

Draw 2 circles on the cardboard box using the saucepan lid and cut them out.

Cut 2 cardboard strips about 25 cm long and 4 cm wide.

Cut out small circles or other shapes if you want to decorate the shield.

Cut the washing ball in half. The bottom of the ball will be the shield boss.

You can also use a cardboard circle or simply paint on a shield boss.

2 Glue the two large circles together. This makes the shield a little thicker and stronger. Fold the strips as shown in the picture to form handles and glue them together. This makes them sturdier too.

Glue the handles to the middle of the back of the shield.

Glue the shield boss to the middle of the other side (the front).

3 Paint and decorate your Viking shield.









