

DRAGON FRIEND! (EASY PEASY VERSION)



YOU WILL NEED:

- ♥ Flour (any type, any measure)
- ♥ Salt (half as much as the flour)
- ♥ Water (same amount as salt)
- ♥ Spoon
- ♥ Wings: feathers, leaves, etc
- ♥ Paint and brushes, plus anything else that's fun to decorate with
- ♥ Optional: PVA glue (or use acrylic paint to decorate)

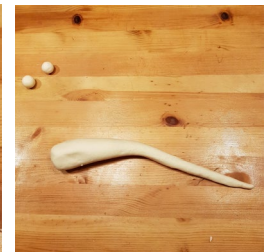
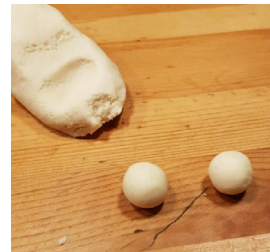
1 MAKE YOUR DOUGH!

Mix up the flour, salt and water in the bowl. It will need a lot of mixing! Use your hands, get messy. It should be smooth, not lumpy, and stiff.



2 MAKE THE BASIC SHAPES!

Pick out two lumps from the big lump, and roll them into spheres about the same size as marbles, by rolling them around between your palms. These will be eyes! Roll the rest into a long carrot shape. I decided to roll the tail of my dragon friend up in a spiral. But all tail shapes are valid! Long, short, pointy, nonexistent, the important thing is to have fun.



4 ADD THE DETAILS!

Get a spoon and push it into the big end of the carrot to make a smile. Pinch a nose above it, if you like. Then carefully push the spheres on – you might need a little water to get them to stick.

Then pinch all the way down the back to make a bumpy ridge.



6 DECIDE ON WINGS!

It's wonderful to use feathers, or pressed autumn leaves, or pleated paper, and I bet if you look around you could find something else that would look great! Make a hole for them in the place you want them – play around, it will make a huge difference to how it looks. Then take them out.



7 BAKE & DECORATE!

Either in the oven, lowest setting for three hours or microwave for 30 seconds at a time, checking in between – you want it to be hard and pale. Paint a fun colour, but not the eyes! Give them just one little dot in the middle. Insert the wings back in. I decided on dots but anything would look good! Cherish your dragon friend! Don't forget to name them. Mine is called Blembo.

