

# FINGERPRINT CANDLE PLATTER

AVERAGE TIME

CHALLENGE LEVEL

2  
HOURS



Simple Techniques - Stunning Effects



## MATERIALS

CCX152:

12 1/4" Coupe Dinner Plate

Liner Brush

Medium Brush

Fan Brush

BAS Auction Year to Shine Silkscreen

Goo Powders

Yellow Sponge Quarter

Small Container for Mixing Goo

Screen Squeegee

Writing Bottle

## COLORS

CMM 98 - Red Head

CMM 57 - Squash Blossom

CMM 21 - Mango Madness

CMM 48 - Guacamole

CMM 59 - Turquoise

CMM 41 - Perfectly Purple

CMM 2 - Stonewash

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## INSTRUCTIONS

If you don't already have it on hand, you'll need to mix up "goo" to apply the silkscreen. For this piece, you'll need Stonewash goo.

- Add 2-3 Tablespoons of underglaze to your container.
  - Add a hefty pinch of Goo Powders and stir to combine.
  - Let the mixture sit for 5 minutes and stir again. If it looks like pudding it's ready to use. If it's too thick add more underglaze. If it's too thin add another pinch of Goo Powders and stir.
1. Start by using the Stonewash goo to apply the silkscreen to the top of the plate.
  2. For the fingerprints:
    - Brush on a heavy amount of paint to the entire length of the finger and press it onto one of the candles. We used the following colors for the candles: Red Head, Squash Blossom, Guacamole, Turquoise, and Perfectly Purple.
    - Next, apply a fingerprint to the candle using either Mango Madness or Squash Blossom.
    - Use a pencil to write the child's name next to the candle containing their print.
  3. To fill in the letters in the center, we are going to use a method called "Drop & Fill". First, we will thin down the colors by adding 50% water to 50% paint in the following colors: Red Head, Squash Blossom, Mango Madness, Guacamole, Turquoise, and Perfectly Purple.
  4. Load up a liner brush with the watered-down paint and drop the paint into the letter you want to fill in. Then, use the tip of the brush to gently move the paint around. Just one coat of this is sufficient.
  5. Dip a sponge quarter into Squash Blossom paint. Tap it on a paper towel to remove the excess. Wipe the sponge with the flat side against the rim to make a nice even border.
  6. To apply the names, use a detail writing bottle with Stonewash t to write the name next to the popcorn containing that child's fingerprint.
  7. Paint the back of the platter with 3 coats of Squash Blossom using a fan brush.
  8. If desired, write the class/organization name on the bottom of the bucket with the year.

## TIPS

- The silkscreen becomes more flexible if you rinse it in warm water and then dry it off with paper towels right before you use it.
- For the writing bottle, only fill the bottle 1/2 way to avoid it coming out too fast. This will help with smaller writing.
- Get the writer bottle flowing on a paper towel before you write on your piece. This will work out any air and sputtering that might occur.

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