

TG Friendship Stones

Decorate stones with messages about TG and share them with others.



How can you share them?

- Invite non-members to join you in a craft session and take home the stones that they have decorated to use as paperweights or ornaments
- Give them away, for example when you have a display about your Guild
- Share photos of them on social media

What will you need to decorate the stones?

Stones

- Smooth stones, free of cracks are easiest to decorate
- Lighter colour stones show the decorations better
- Get them from your garden, friends who have them in their gardens, builder's merchants, garden centres
- Thoroughly clean and dry the stones before use

Something to decorate them with

- Marker pens. Permanent markers are best
- Acrylic paint, it does not have to be artist quality

Paper, pencil and eraser

- To sketch ideas
- To draw round the stone and plan where the decorations will go
- To draw on the stone to help in adding the design

Tools

- Cocktail sticks
- Babboo kebab sticks
- Paintbrushes
- Craft rubber stamps
- Craft permanent ink pad

Clear varnish if the stones are to go outside

Examples

Simply dotty

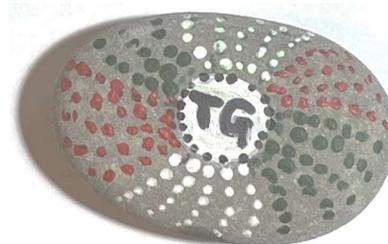
Red, white, green acrylic paint
Babboo kebab stick
Black permanent marker



Dip the flat end of the stick in the paint and make dots on the stone in a circular pattern. Write a sentiment on the stone.

TG is at the centre

Red, white, green acrylic paint
Cocktail stick
Black permanent marker
Paint brush
Pencil



Draw a circle in the centre of the stone. Paint it white. You may need several coats. Mark 6 sections round the circle. Decorate each section in a different colour using a cocktail stick. Cut it to make a smooth end, which will give smaller dots. Write TG in the centre of the circle.

TG friends are like flowers, they spring up all around

Red, white, green acrylic paint
Bamboo kebab stick
Cocktail stick
Black permanent marker
Paint brush
Pencil



Use the instructions from the above two stones to decorate this one.
The flowers are made using a green or white dot as the centre and 5 or 6 red dots around it for the petals.

TG together

White, green acrylic paint
Red and black permanent marker
Paint brush
Pencil



Draw the shape of the design onto the stone and paint it all white. It may take more than one coat. Use different shades of green to paint the leaves, tendrils and pea pod. Paint the peas and outline them with a fine green line so they show up in the pod. Add eyes and mouths using the black permanent marker. Add the words using the red marker.

For you

White, green acrylic paint
Paint brush
Craft rubber / acrylic stamps – butterfly, bunting and sentiment
Craft permanent ink pad



Use the stamps to decorate the stones.
If you want to 'colour in' any parts which you have stamped, do it in two stages.

First paint those areas white.
When dry, paint them the final colour you want them to be.

Fun and friendship

White, red, green, orange, yellow, purple acrylic
paint
Paint brush
Black marker pen



Paint the whole upper surface white. Draw the design on the stone in pencil.
Use acrylic paint to colour it. Add the words using black marker.

The reverse

Put your Guild contact details
or TG website details on the back of
the stones you give away so the person
receiving it can find out more.



And finally

If the stones are to go outside, it is best to coat them with a clear varnish such
as a craft varnish.