

## Marbled Paper

### Let's create marbled paper

Paper marbling combines art and science to make beautiful patterns. Artists swirl colors across a watery or creamy surface and then transfer the resulting designs to paper. Like a fingerprint, each piece of marbled paper is unique. Ask an adult to help you create your own patterns!

### Materials

Shaving cream  
Tray or disposable aluminum pan (such as a cookie sheet, pie pan, or cake pan)  
A cardboard square or straight edge  
Food coloring or paint (up to four colors)  
Toothpick or plastic fork  
Heavy paper

1



Spray the shaving cream into the tray or pan. Use the cardboard to smooth it out.

2



Add a few drops of food coloring or paint to the shaving cream. You can add up to four different colors.

3



Use a toothpick or plastic fork to swirl the colors around. Be careful not to mix the colors up too much!

4



Place the paper on the cream and gently press on it.

5



Slowly lift the paper and scrape off any excess shaving cream with the cardboard.

6



Let your marbled paper dry. You can then use it to decorate a card, a book, a picture frame, or something else. You decide!