

How to Make a Pinch Pot

Each camper will get a palm-sized portion of clay – about the size of a clementine orange.
(You should be able to get 6 portions/pots from an 8oz bag of model magic.)



Take a small palm-sized ball of clay and push your thumb into it.



Push and pinch as you turn the clay.



Continue to shape the pot – the sides, the bottom, the lip – as you like. You can use the table to flatten out the bottom (or the top lip).

You can use a pencil or paper clip to add designs on your pot – make indentions or ridges, write a Bible verse or your name, draw a picture, etc. Get creative! If you mess up, you can ball the clay up and start over, as long as the clay has not dried. Once complete, set your pot aside to dry. It may not dry completely in the time in Camp Grace, in which case you'll need to carefully transport it home and put it in a safe place to dry at home. Once dry, you can color or paint your pot, too.

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How to Make a Coil Pot

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Take about $\frac{1}{4}$ of the clay and flatten it out to create a base. Make “snakes” with the rest of the clay by rolling it out on the table. The more you roll, the longer and skinnier the snake will be. The thicker the snake, the easier it is to work without breaking.

** You can skip making a flat base, if you like, by moving on to the second step and just coiling from the start.



Wrap the snakes around the base of the pot, building up the sides as a new layer starts.



If you want to, you can add decorative touches to the top or sides of the pot, using pieces of the “snakes” like you see here, or etching designs into the clay with a paper clip or pencil point, like you see below.

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