



What do I need?

Your design from 'Design a Moroccan tile' tutorial

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Scissors

Pencil

Ruler

Air-dry clay*

Rolling pin

Acrylic paints

Small paint brushes

Tracing paper or baking paper
(optional)

Varnish
(optional)

*You can purchase this online or from most craft shops.
If you can't get any air-dry clay you can find a
recipe for salt dough online and use this instead.



make a Moroccan tile

What do I do?

Prepare your work surface with a non-stick, wipeable covering such as a plastic tablecloth, kitchen foil, clingfilm or greaseproof paper.

Use your rolling pin to roll out your clay to a thickness of about 1cm. If you don't have a rolling pin you can use a book to press the clay flat.

Cut out the template on page 2 and place it on top of the clay. Use your ruler to cut the clay to the same size.

TIP: To stop your clay from cracking while you're shaping it, dip a finger in water and rub it over the clay where it is drying out.

Leave your clay tile on your non-stick surface for at least 24 hours to allow it to dry completely.

Once dry, use your pencil and ruler to draw your symmetry lines onto your tile. If you find this challenging, you can trace your design onto tracing paper or baking paper with a pencil. Place the tracing paper drawing-side down on the tile and rub over the lines to transfer them onto the tile.

Paint your design in bright colours, paying careful attention to symmetry. Set the tile aside until the paint is dry, then put it on display.

To protect your tile from water damage you can paint a layer of varnish on top once the paint has dried to ensure that it is sealed against rain or drink spillages.

If you're feeling really creative you can make several tiles using the same design. You can then arrange them together to create a *zellige* display for your house or garden. You could also use your tiles as gifts for friends and family or as drinks coasters for your home.

