

How to Make Crystal Geode Eggs

David was a surprise to the Philistine army. Even the stone he chose to use was a surprise. Did you know that stones can hold their own surprises. Sometimes they have crystal formations inside. These stones are called Geode stones.

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What you'll need.

- Eggs
- Food coloring
- Craft glue
- Epsom salt
- Toothpicks

1. Crack an egg at the narrow end and carefully widen the opening to the size of a quarter. Empty into a bowl.
2. Set shells in a bow of hot water to rinse. Then gently rub the inside to loosen and remove the membrane. Turn the shells over on a towel to dry.
3. Set the shells inside the carton. Brush the entire inside with a thin layer of glue and dust with Epsom salt. Let dry completely.
4. Boil 1 cup water and remove from heat. Slowly add 1/2 cup Epsom salt and stir until it's dissolved. Continue stirring in small amounts of salt until it no longer dissolves, then STOP. You've made a super-saturated solution! It should be thick but not slushy.
5. Carefully pour the solution into your shells with a small ladle, filling to the top. Add a drop of food coloring to each egg, and stir gently with a toothpick. Place your shells somewhere safe and at room temperature.
6. Check your eggs daily. If you find a thin, hard, jagged layer forming on the surface, gently break it up with a toothpick (allowing the water to evaporate). After a few days, all the water will evaporate, leaving colorful geodes behind!