

# PLASTIC BOTTLE ANIMAL PLANTERS

WHAT YOU'LL NEED: PLASTIC BOTTLES. PAINT. SCISSORS. RULER. ADHESIVE REMOVER.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

- CLEAN THE BOTTLES THOROUGHLY AND REMOVE THE LABELS AND ADHESIVE.
- CUT HOLES IN THE BOTTOM WITH AN X-ACTO KNIFE TO ALLOW FOR EXCESS WATER TO DRIP OUT. YOU CAN ALSO MAKE A SELF WATERING SODA BOTTLE PLANTER ('SEE DIRECTIONS BELOW - CHANGES NEXT STEPS)
- ONCE THE BOTTLE IS CLEAN AND DRY, DRAW EAR SHAPES AND CUT THE PERIMETER. (A RULER MAKES IT EASY TO CREATE A STRAIGHT CUT AROUND THE EDGE)
- COAT WITH PAINT (LET DRY BETWEEN COATS) AND DRAW THE FACES ON!

## \*SELF WATERING BOTTLE PLANTER:

WHAT YOU'LL NEED: 2 LITER PLASTIC BOTTLE. KNIFE. SCISSORS. 2 PAPER TOWELS. SOIL.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

- START WITH A CLEAN, DRY 2 LITER SODA BOTTLE: LEAVE THE CAP ON TO MAKE IT EASIER TO CUT FOR THE FIRST TIME. MAKE A 1 INCH CUT A FEW INCHES FROM THE BOTTOM TO MAKE A WATERING HOLE.
- MAKE 2 SMALL CUTS ON EACH SIDE OF THE FIRST CUT TO FORM A FLAP "DO NOT CUT THE TAB OFF, JUST FOLD IT INWARD"
- MAKE A CUT JUST ABOVE THE WATER HOLE. CUT STRAIGHT AROUND THE BOTTLE WITH SCISSORS TO SEPARATE THE TOP AND BOTTOM (TOSS THE CAP)
- FOLD THE WATERING FLAP IN ABOUT 45 DEGREES.
- GRAB THE PAPER TOWELS: FOLD ONE A FEW TIMES AND MAKE A ROLL. PLACE INTO THE CENTER OF THE OTHER PAPER TOWEL. PUSH THE COVERED END OF THE ROLL THROUGH THE INSIDE OF THE MOUTH OF THE 2 LITER (ABOUT 1 INCH). PRESS OUT THE FOLDS OF THE PAPER TOWEL (THE MORE SPREAD OUT AGAINST THE SIDES OF THE BOTTLE THE BETTER, THIS WAY THE WICK SURROUNDS YOUR SOIL)
- PUT THE POT WITH THE WICK SET (TOP HALF OF 2 LITER) INTO THE WATERING BASE (BOTTOM OF 2 LITER).
- FILL SOIL TO THE TOP, YOUR SOIL WILL SETTLE AFTER THE FIRST WATERING (TRY NOT TO FOLD THE PAPER TOWEL DOWN). SETTLE YOUR SOIL LIGHTLY WITH EACH FILLING.
- WATER FROM THE TOP FOR THE FIRST TIME (THE PAPER TOWELS WILL BE LESS NOTICEABLE ONCE WET). CONTINUE WATERING UNTIL WATER STARTS TO FILL THE BASE, THIS STARTS THE WICK!
- ADD WATER THROUGH THE FLAP WHEN LOW!
- TAG US ON SOCIAL MEDIA WHEN YOU'RE DONE!

