

Clay Pots

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Clay pots, they come in different shapes and sizes...but do you know how they are made? There are two ways of pottery...modern pottery and traditional pottery. The modern way of pottery uses machinery that rotates and mould the pots, while the traditional pottery uses....Do you know what's used? Don't worry...we are going to learn how clay pots are made...traditionally.	10:00:21:24 - 10:00:48:17
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Two important types of soils used in this process are the clay soil and the other soil, which acts like a cement, to make the clay particles stick together to avoid cracking.	10:00:52:20 - 10:01:03:08
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We start off by crushing both the clay soil and the other soil, to leave off the big particles that are not needed when making the paste.	10:01:15:21 - 10:01:24:13
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You see.... The residues in the sieve are big particles that are not needed.	10:01:30:00 - 10:01:35:20

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The next step is to mix both types of soil and add water to make a paste.	10:01:55:07 - 10:02:00:18
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You really have to work out the paste to make it soft and manageable. After all, nobody wants to work with a hard paste.	10:02:21:21 - 10:02:40:17
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We roll and roll and roll the paste, to make building blocks. Now we need circular shaped object to make a base, and build from it. A pot lid...yes, it serve the purpose.	10:02:43:11 - 10:02:55:24
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Nearly there, just need to smoothen the edges.	10:03:05:08 - 10:03:09:24
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You see...now, the first half of the clay pot is done.	10:03:34:11 - 10:03:39:21
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The upper surface is the connection to other half, we wrap it with wet strings of old cloths so it doesn't dry.	10:03:51:00 - 10:03:55:20

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<p>Picture</p> <p>The bottom of the clay pot was made earlier to allow it to dry a bit. It is now time to connect the two parts to make a complete pot.</p>	<p>10:03:55:21 – 10:04:43:20</p> <p>10:04:43:21 – 10:04:49:02</p>
<p>Picture</p> <p>Final touches.....smoothing the edges and making decorations!</p>	<p>10:04:49:03 – 10:05:10:05</p> <p>10:05:10:06 – 10:05:21:06</p>
<p>Picture</p> <p>With decoration, you can get as creative as you like.....making different shapes and patterns.</p>	<p>10:05:21:07-10:05:26:16</p> <p>10:05:26:17-10:05:36:24</p>
<p>Picture</p> <p>I hope you like our decorations.</p>	<p>10:05:37:00-10:05:42:05</p> <p>10:05:42:07-10:05:48:09</p>
<p>Picture</p> <p>Baking time! Yes, we need to bake the pots to make them strong. The stage involves a l.o.t of hard work....like collecting firewood and dried cow dung to put in the oven pit. The pots are inside the oven, everything is in place....now we set the fire.</p>	<p>10:05:48:10-10:05:51:15</p> <p>10:05:51:16-10:06:11:00</p>
<p>Picture</p> <p>Unbelievable! All the firewood is burnt.</p>	<p>10:06:11:01 – 10:06:20:07</p> <p>10:06:20:08 – 10:06:26:10</p>

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<p>Picture</p> <p>Look at this! I can't wait to check the pots out, very nice indeed! Let's wipe off the ash to make them shiny. I like them....do you?</p>	<p>10:06:26:11 – 10:06:34:05</p> <p>10:06:34:06 – 10:06:55:07</p>