

Make your own Japanware

There are a variety of ways to make your own piece of Japanware. Using the teacher resource pack and the catalogue, look at the variety of different shapes you can use and designs that are on the pieces.

First, choose what shape of Japanware you will make. Although we advise trays and plates, you can make any shape.

The base shape can be made from

- Paper Plates
- Papier Mache

We would not advise clay - as Japanware was not made from pottery or porcelain.

After you have made/created your base shape:

- Paint the shape black, wait for it to dry.
- Varnish (PVA glue)the shape. Dry.
- Use the online designer to help the children design their Japanware.
 - Add the border design first. Wait for it to dry
 - Add your main design. Wait for it to dry.

You can copy and paint or stick your designs on from the online design.

- Varnish your plate again and leave it to dry.

Create an exhibition from your designs!