

TAKE & MAKE

CRAFT KIT

TERRARIUM

Supplies:

- Glass jar with Lid
- Small pebbles
- Activated charcoal
- Soil
- Moss
- Gauze
- Popsicle sticks



Get out the moss and give it a few squirts of water and set it aside.



Place small pebbles at the bottom of the jar.



Place activated charcoal on top of pebbles (this helps to control the flow of water from the dirt to the pebbles).



Place your netting on top of the charcoal (this will help keep your dirt mostly in place). Give the netting a few squirts of water once you put it in the jar.



Place the soil in the jar and spread it out into an even layer, using your popsicle stick.



Place the damp moss into the jar and gently press it down with the popsicle stick to make sure it is in contact with the soil.



Give the moss 1-2 squirts of water and put the lid on. Put your finished terrarium in a spot with indirect light.





When building your terrarium, the magic ratio is 1/3 filled and 2/3 empty space. Over the next few days, your moss should start to grow. There will be condensation on the glass jar—this is a good thing! The moss is releasing moisture it doesn't need into the air. That will run down the glass walls and act like rain.



If your jar seems like there's too much water in it (if the dirt looks like mud), you can take the lid off for a day or two.



Terrarium care: Keep the lid on most of the time. You can open it up and spritz some water on it if the walls of the terrarium look dry. Rotate the jar to give the moss equal sunlight.



Sometimes things go wrong. If your moss dies, you can throw out the insides of the terrarium, wash the jar and create a new terrarium. If you see mold inside your jar, you can take the lid off and put the jar in direct sunlight for a day. You will need to wash the lid with warm, soapy water before you put it back on.

