

Dragon's Eye



This is a fun craft activity that involves making your own dragon's eye amulet. This fantastic amulet makes a unique ornament, or your child might want to use it in their role-play games as a magical item which gives special powers.

You will need:

air-drying modelling clay (or you could make [salt dough](#) as an alternative)

a marble (for the dragon's eyeball)

a sharp pencil

paints to decorate



Instructions:

1. Form your modelling clay or salt dough into an oval shape. It should be at least 2cm thick. You can vary the shape and size depending on the size of amulet you wish to create.
2. In the centre of your oval, press in the marble – this will become the dragon's eyeball. Using your sharp pencil, add lines and small holes around the eyeball. These will become the dragon's wrinkles and scales. This is the fun part of the design process and you may wish to use spare clay or salt dough to add additional details such as scales and warts. You could also use additional clay or salt dough to create lids that partially cover the eyeball.
3. Once the dough has dried hard, you can begin to add paint to colour the skin around the dragon's eye. Experiment with different shades to create shadow and texture around the eyeball.

Once completed, use your dragon eye as a unique ornament or as a magical item in a game.