



BIG BOOK of Kiln Carving Patterns



Hello there! If you're reading this, you are probably a recycled glass nut like me. So glad we found each other.

This free e-book is a compilation volume of 30 free kiln carving patterns designed specifically for fusing recycled glass.

When I started this project, I had no idea how popular these patterns would be, or how many amazing artists and wonderful people I would meet through them.



Thank you for reading, commenting and sharing your projects. I love seeing how your projects turn out, and reading the great stories behind them.

I hope you enjoy these patterns and have a glorious, successful glass fusing year.

Best regards, and keep those kilns warm!

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Kiln carving is the technique of 'carving' a pattern in glass using fiber paper and heat. This is a very versatile technique allowing For both simple and very complex designs.

All of the designs in this book were made using 1/32” thick fiber paper. If more contrast is desired, a slightly thicker paper will also work well.

The firing schedule for full fuse is included at the end of this book. Additional firing/slumping schedules are available online at www.GlassWithaPast.com

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Questions about anything recycled glass related are always welcome! Please feel free to e-mail me with comments, questions and especially, photos of your finished projects. Thank you for your interest in these patterns, I hope that they inspire you and bring much enjoyment to your studio.

Best regards,

Jodi McRaney Rusho

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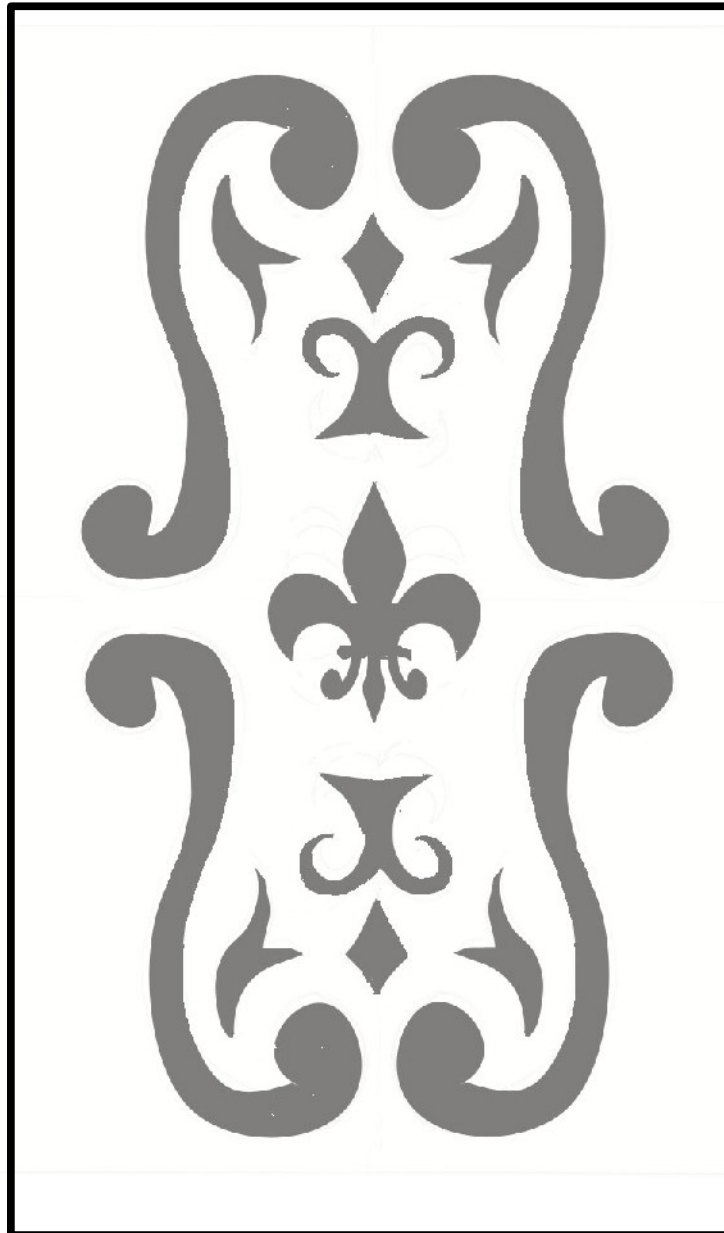


Baroque Geometric



Kiln Carving Pattern for Baroque Geometric

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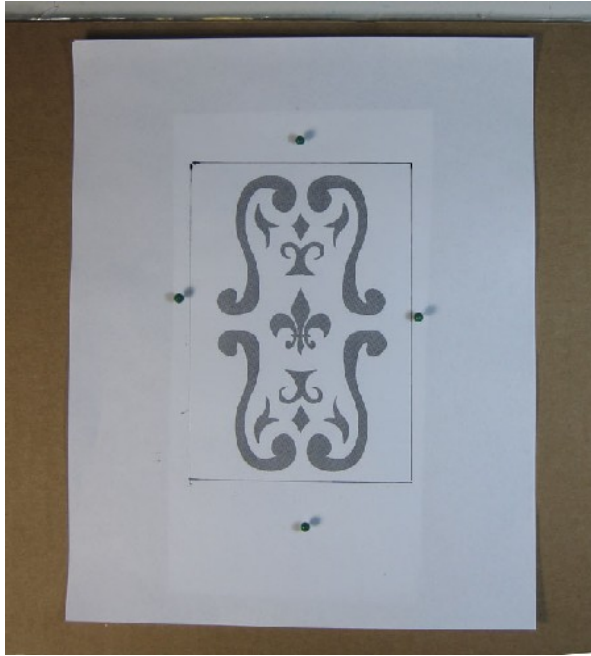


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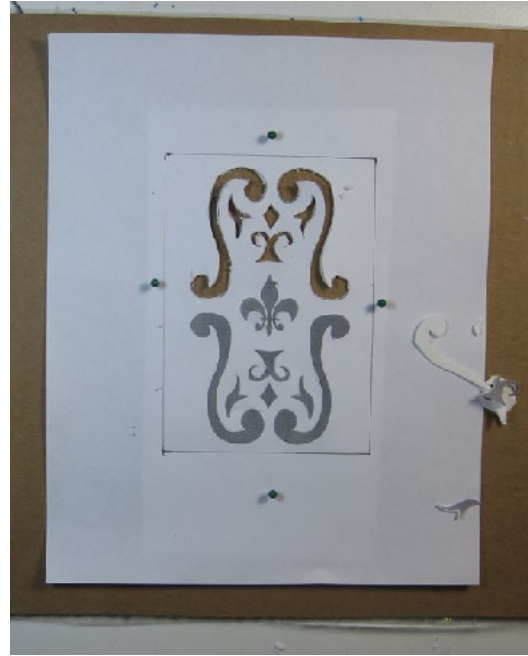


Kiln Carving Pattern for Baroque Geometric Instructions

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern.



2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



3. Cut black border last if you wish. Nice! Finished fiber paper pattern.



4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)

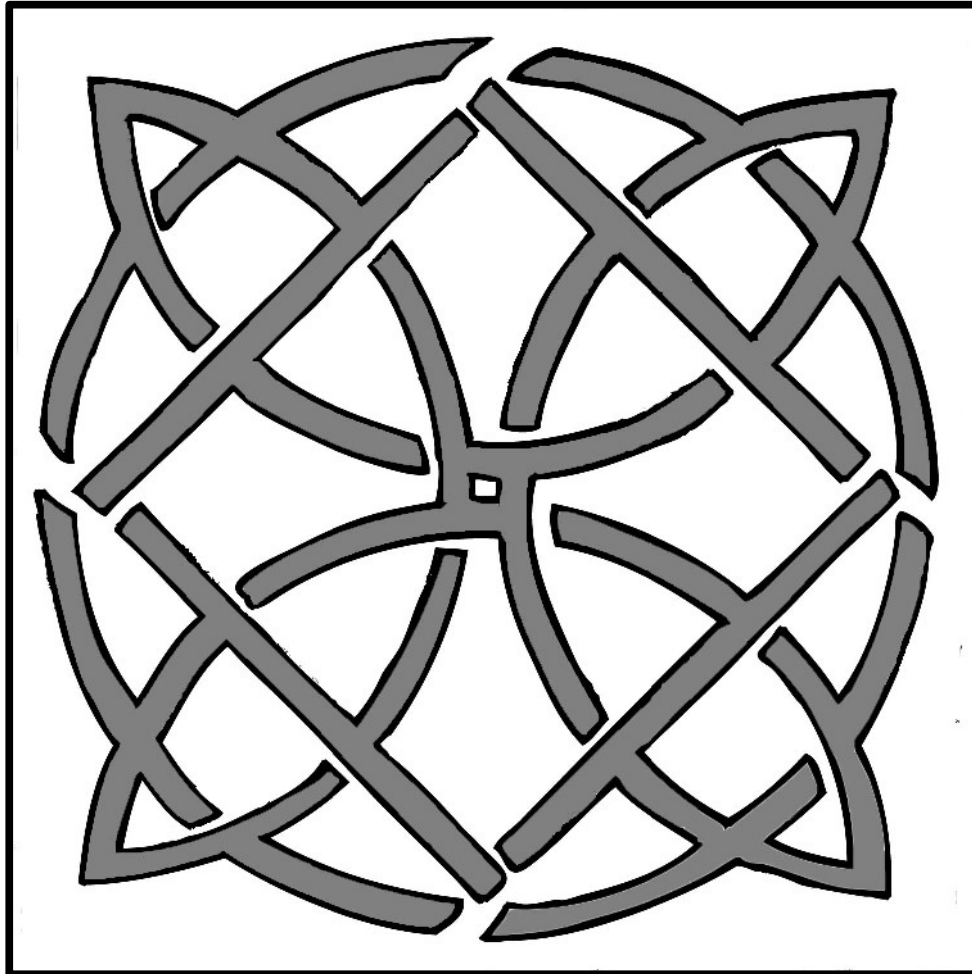


Celtic Knot



Kiln Carving Pattern for Celtic Knot

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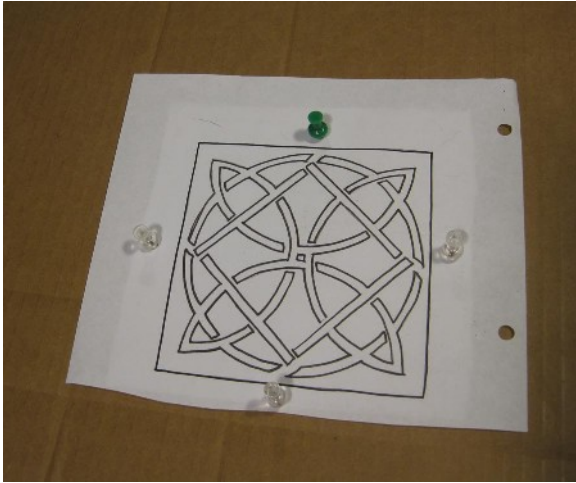


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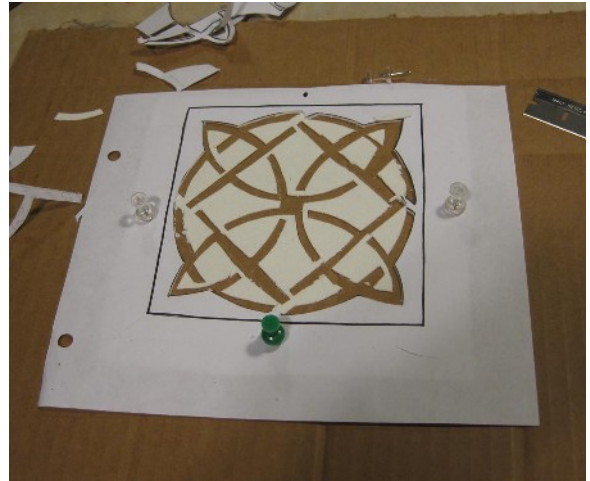


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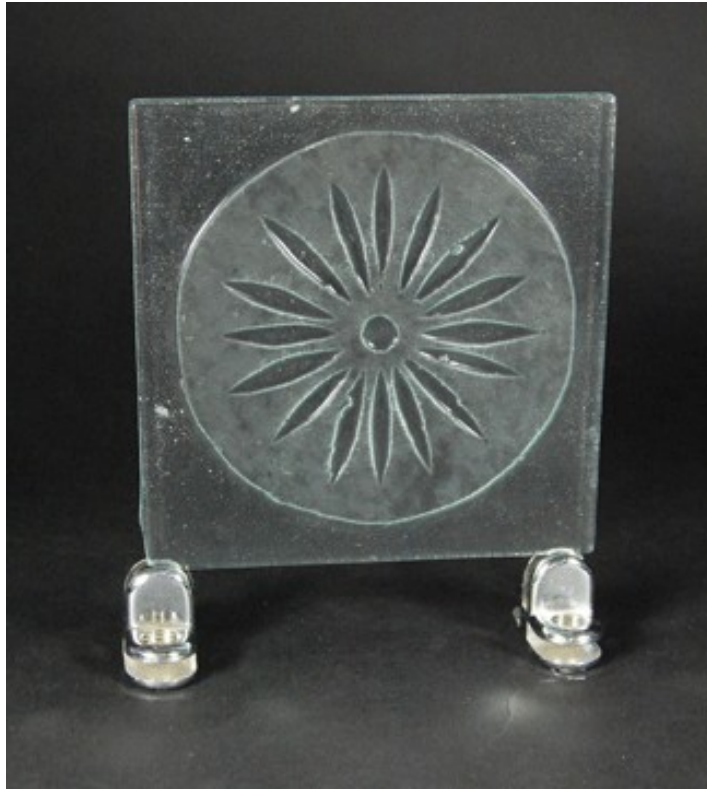
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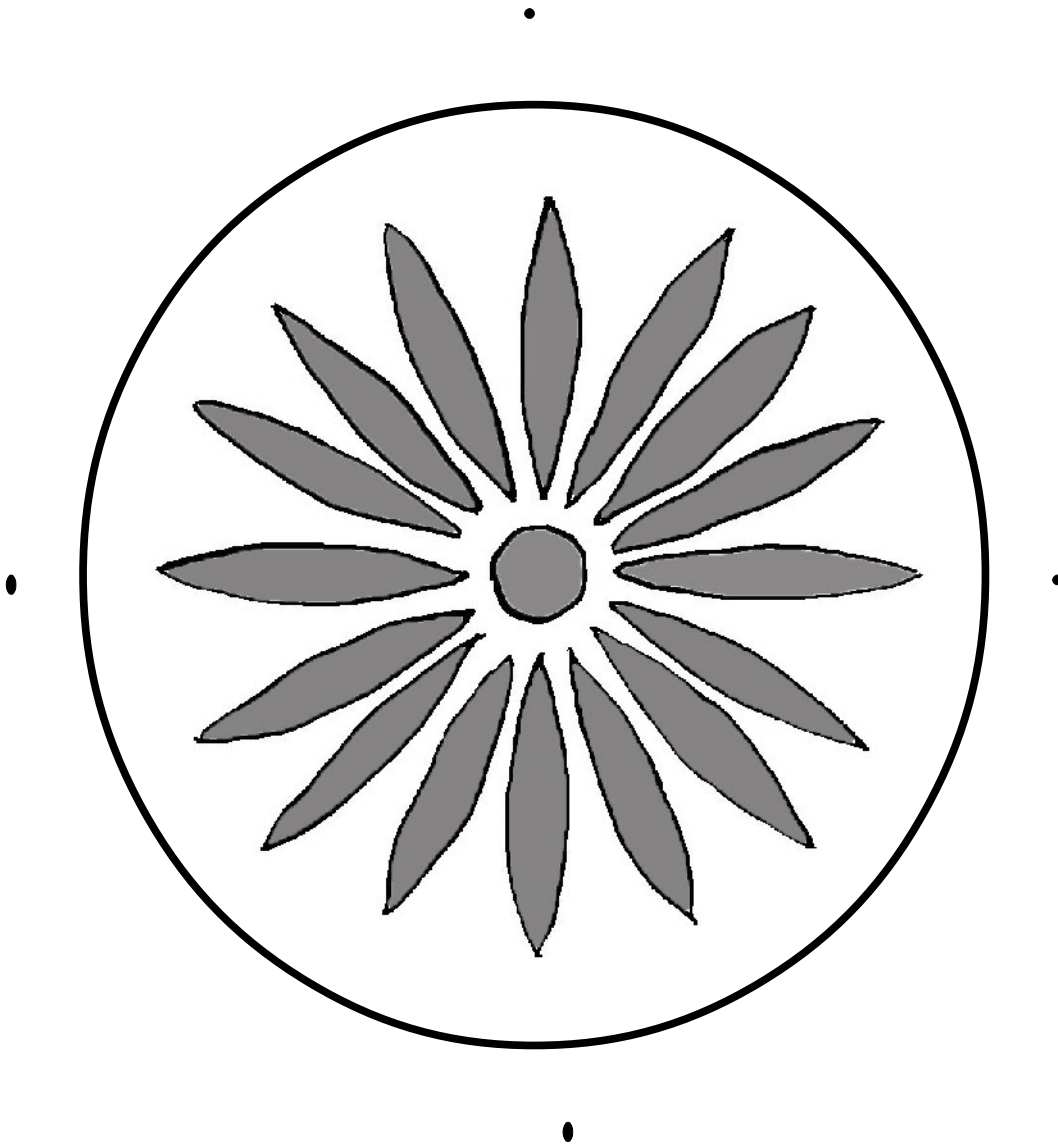


Geometric Flower



Kiln Carving Pattern for Geometric Flower

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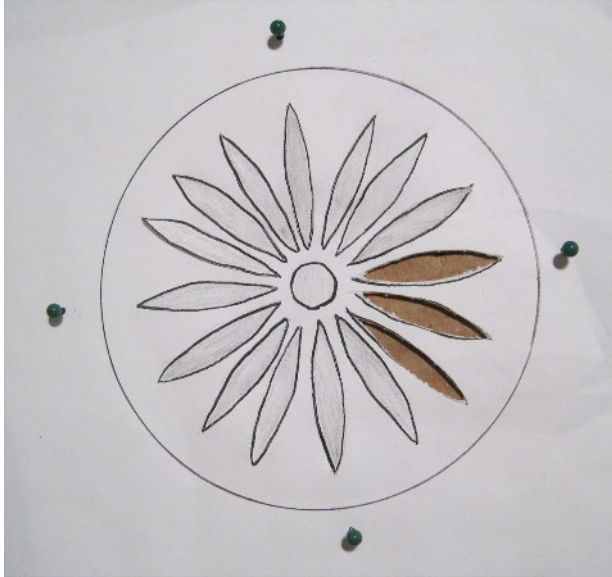


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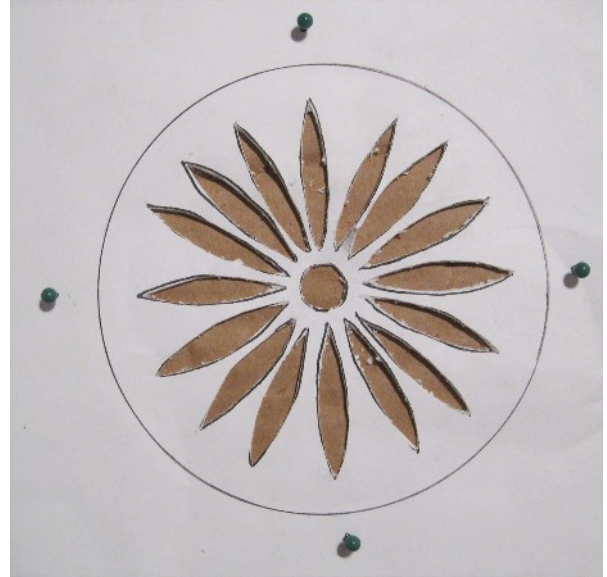


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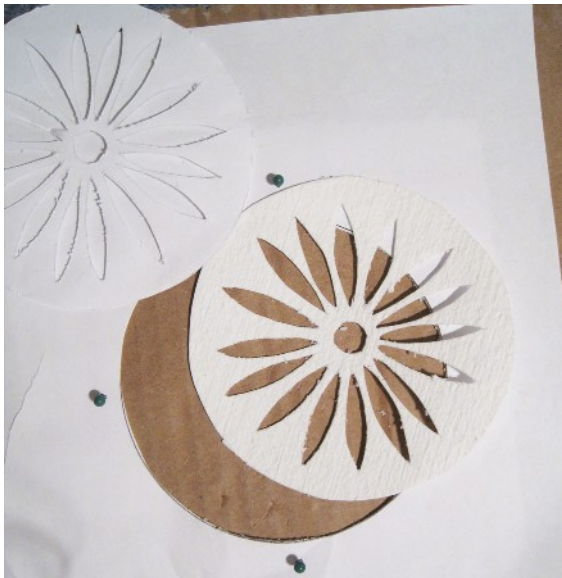
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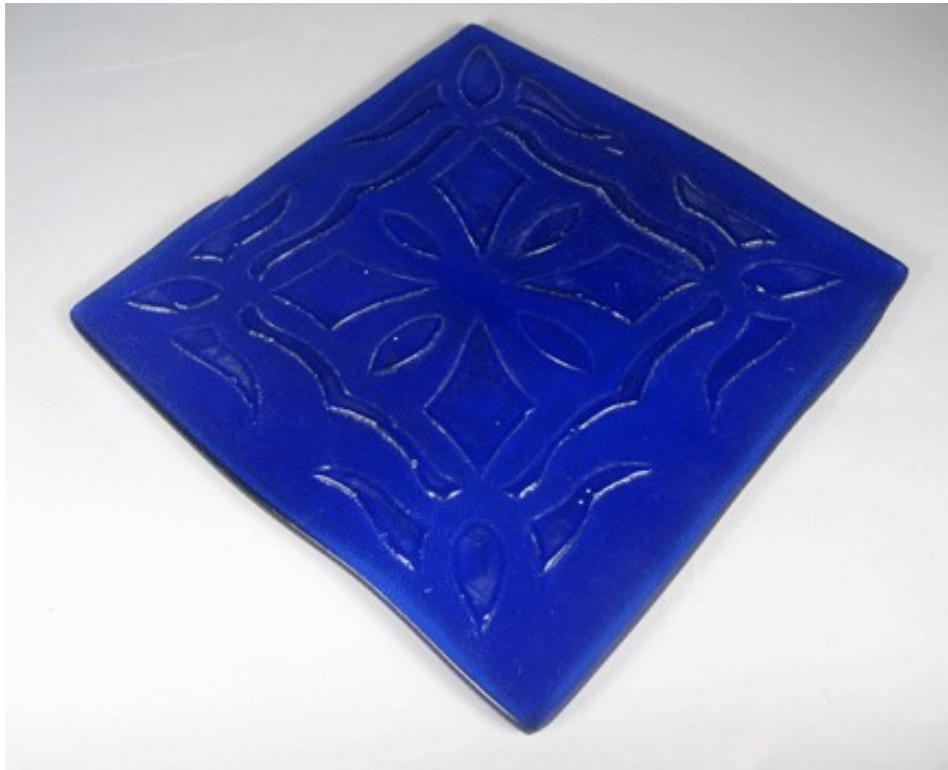
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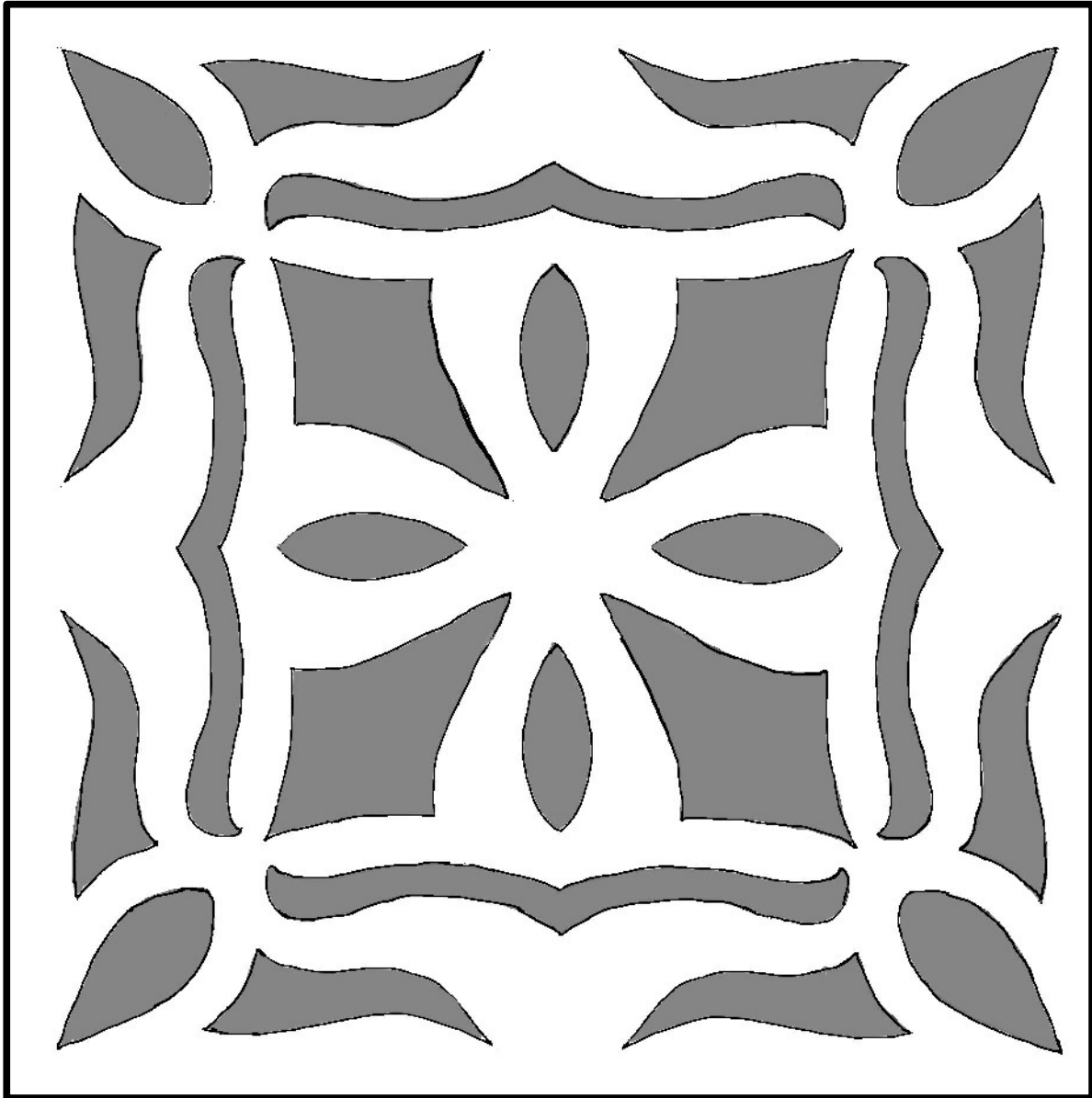


Kaleidoscope Square



Kiln Carving Pattern for Kaleidoscope Square

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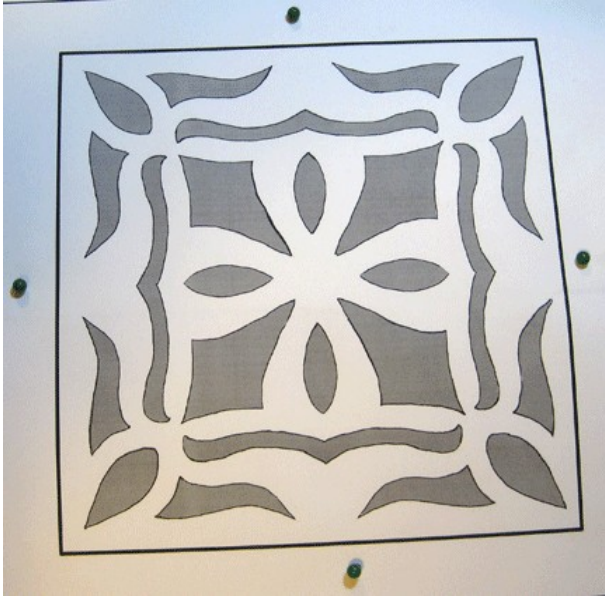


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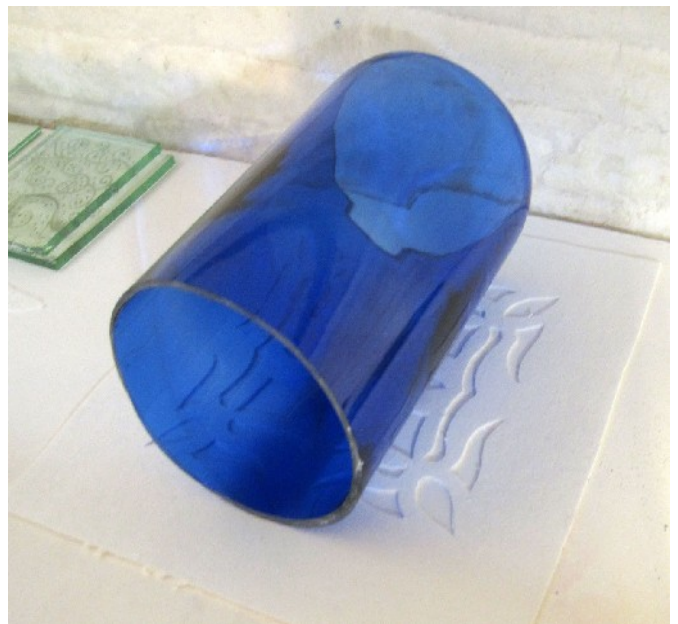
Kiln Carving Pattern for Kaleidoscope Square Instructions

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2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



3. Cut black border last if you wish. Good work! All done with the pattern, now, on to the kiln.

4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)

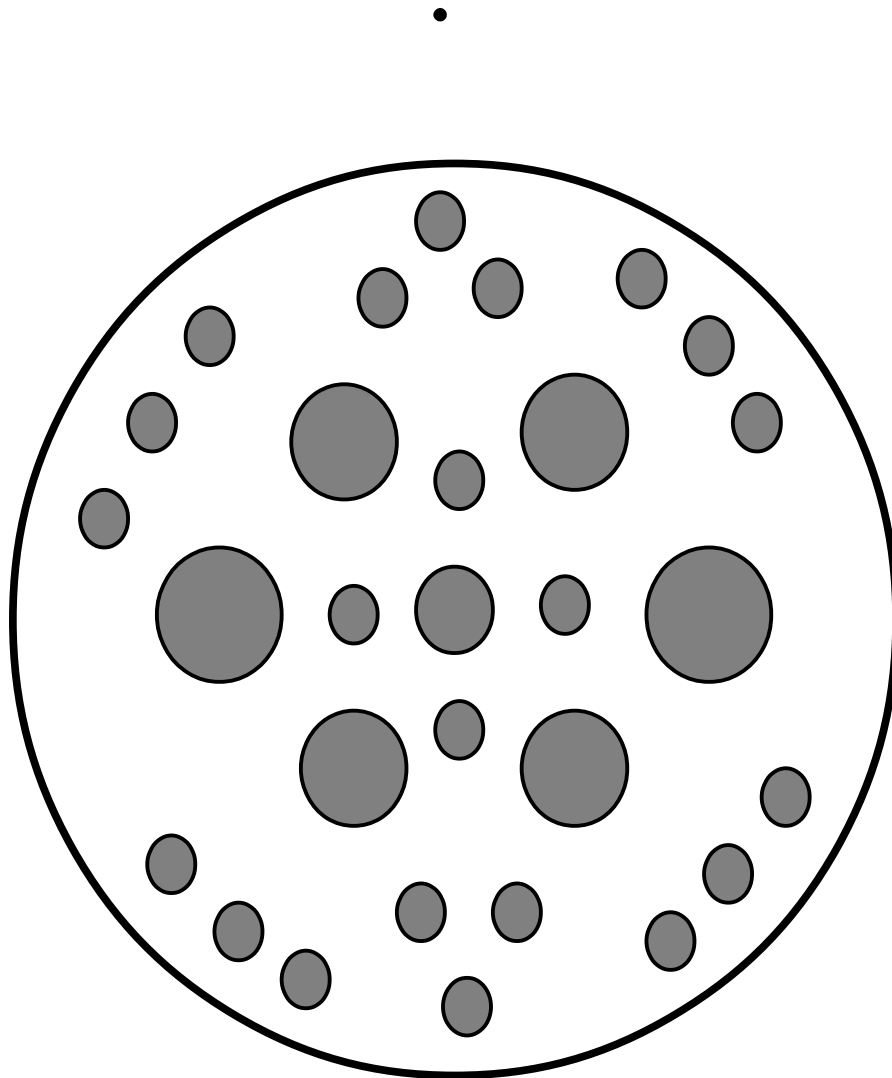


Geometric Circles



Kiln Carving Pattern for Geometric Circles

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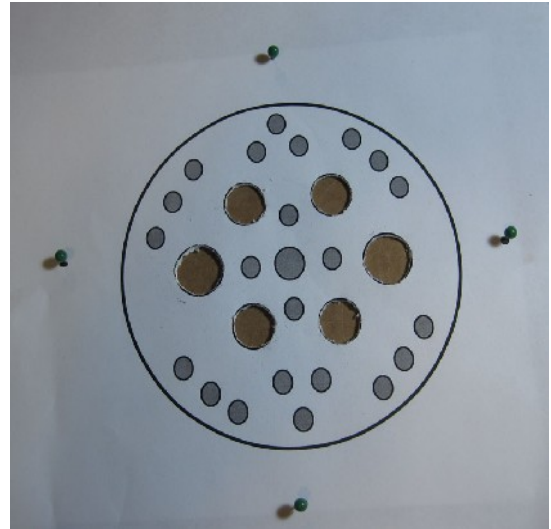
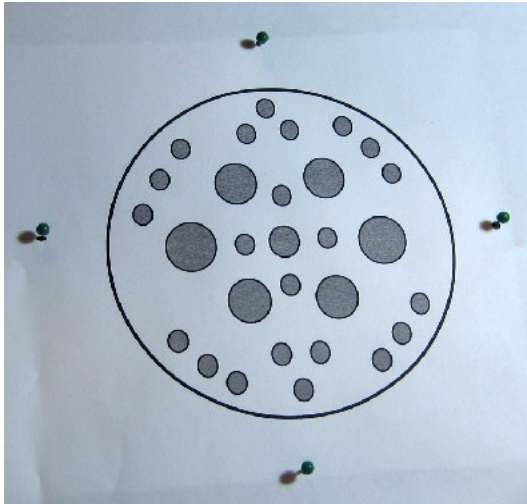
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Kiln Carving Pattern for Geometric Circles

Instructions

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern.

2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



3. For this pattern, it's super easy to use a standard office single hole punch to punch out the small circles. Cut around the outside border first to reach the edge holes.

4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)

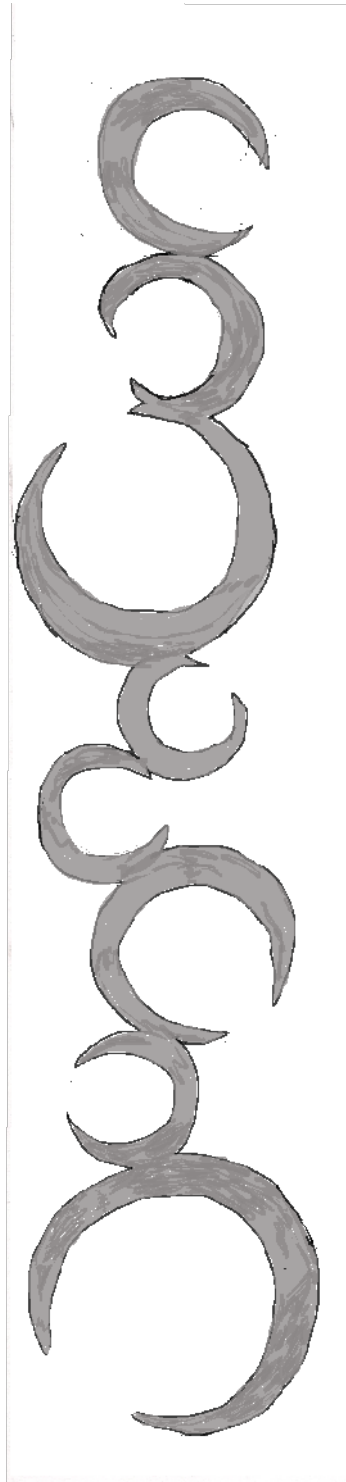


Geometric Border



Kiln Carving Pattern – Geometric Border

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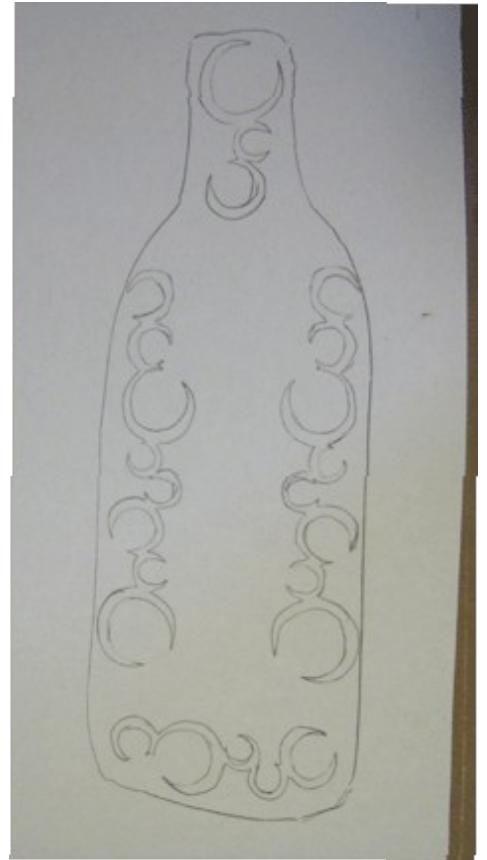
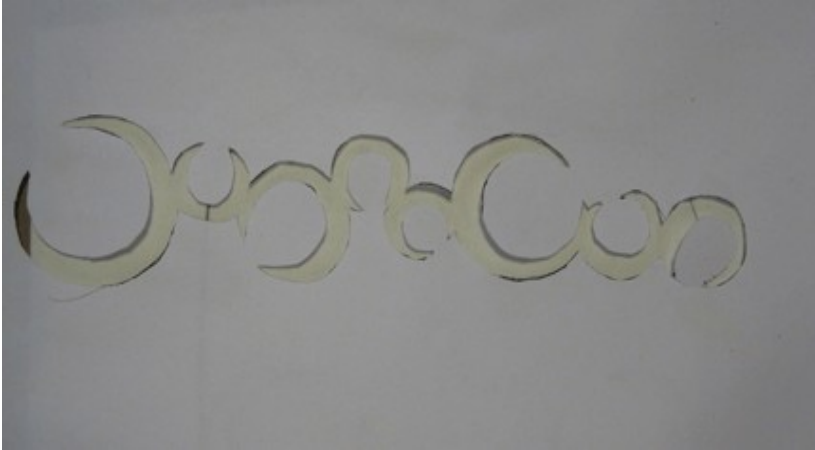


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Kiln Carving Pattern – Geometric Border Instructions

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1. Print the pattern on cardstock and carefully cut the gray areas out to use as a stencil.



2. Use the stencil to trace the design around the border of your project.

3. After cutting out the border pattern, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass.



4. After fusing, add small rubber feet to keep the bottle level and your good to go!

Floral and Garden

- Flower Faces
- Tulips
- Ivy
- Allium
- Tree of Life

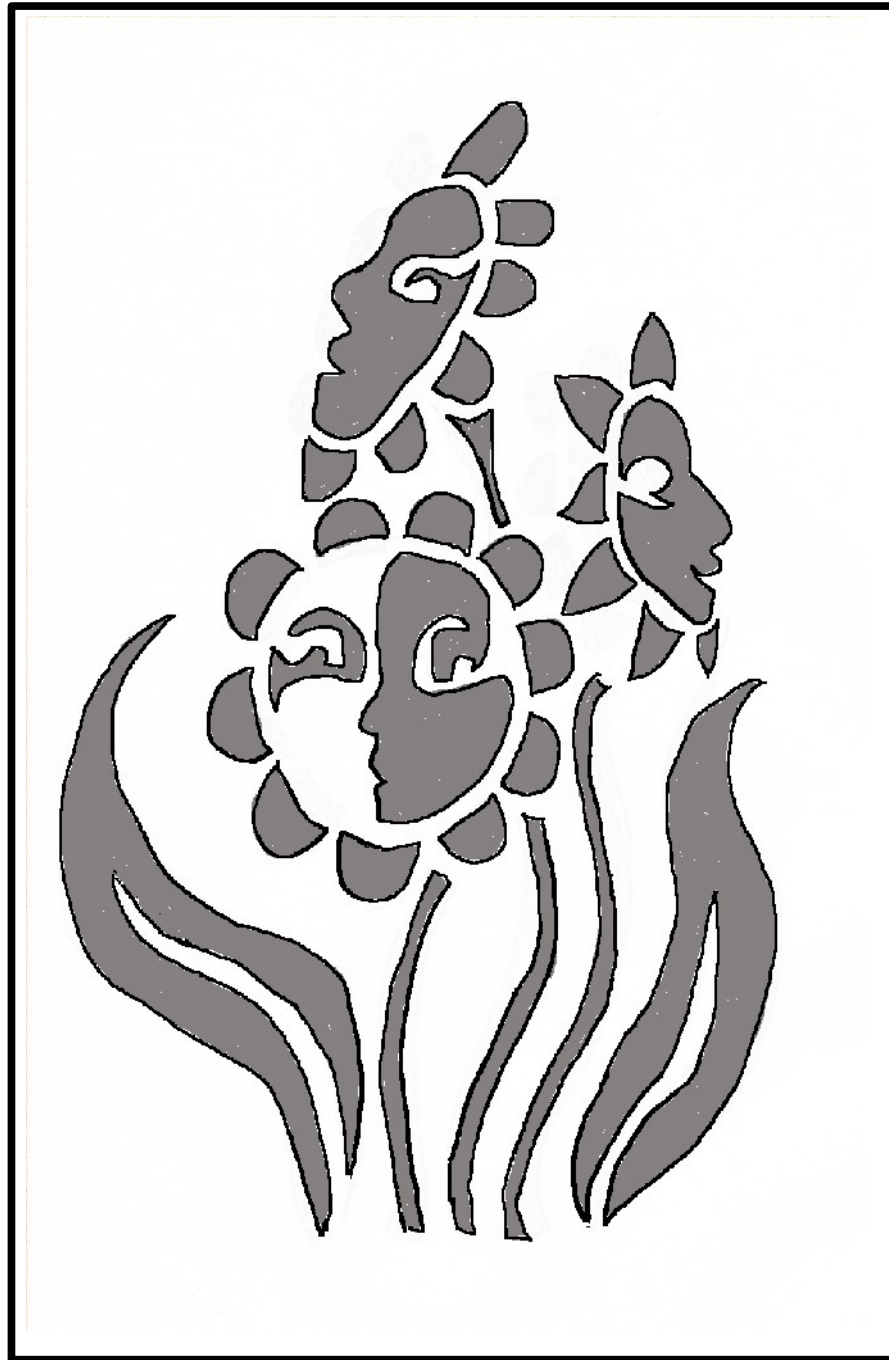


Flower Faces



Kiln Carving Pattern for Flower Faces

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Kiln Carving Pattern for Flower Faces Instructions

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern.



2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)



4. Done! This example has been drilled for use as a suncatcher, but it could also be slumped into a dish.

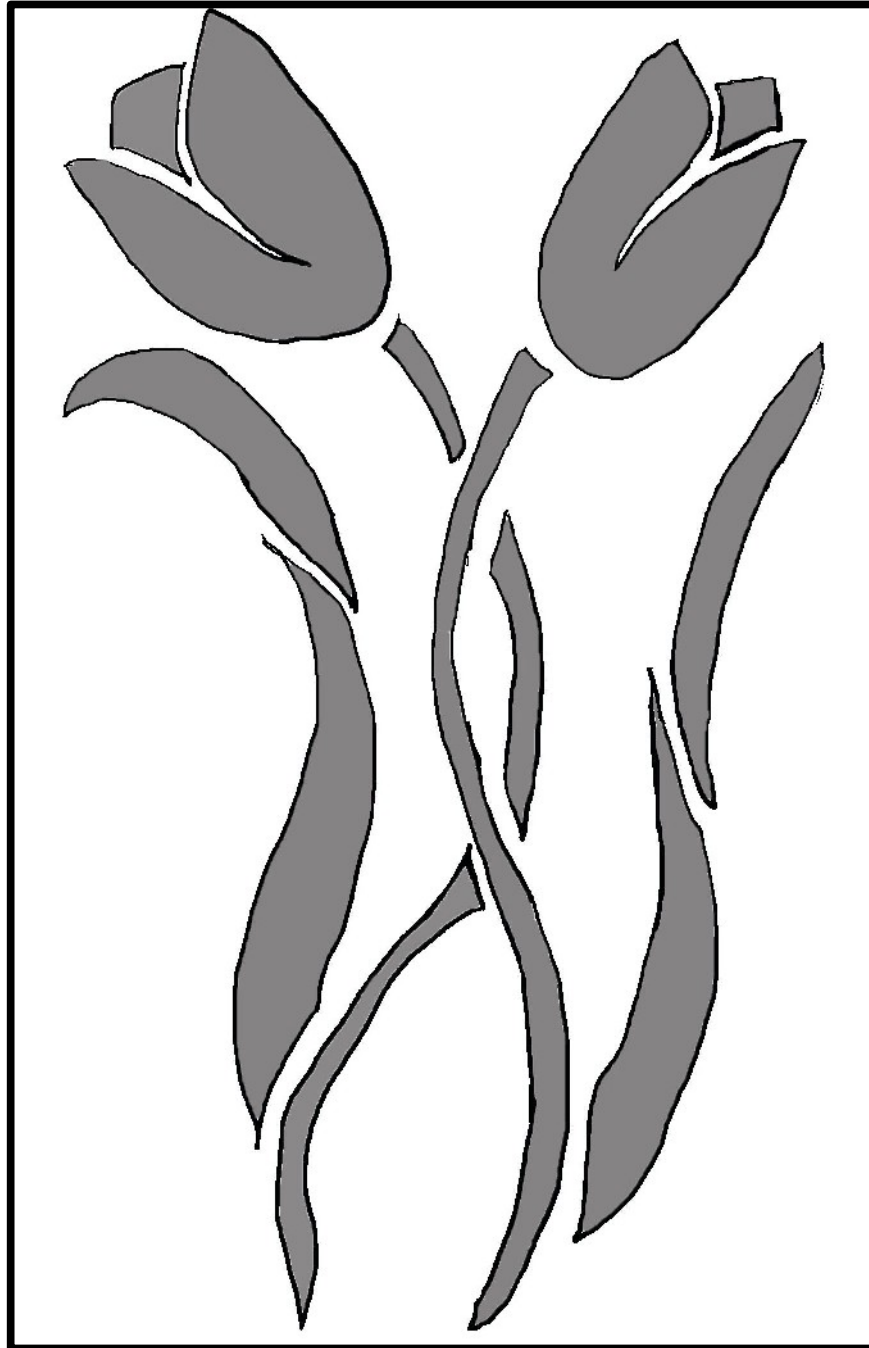


Tulips



Kiln Carving Pattern for Tulips

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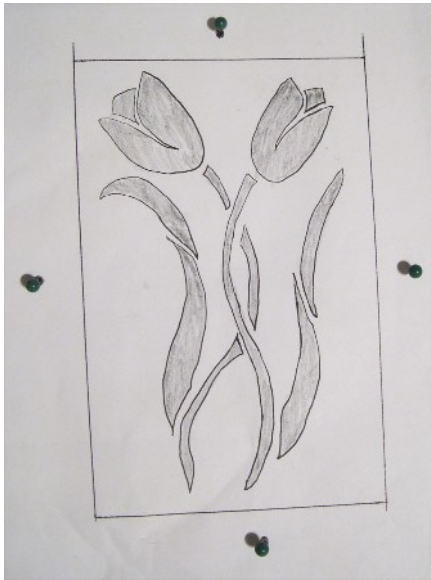
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Kiln Carving Pattern for Tulips

Instructions

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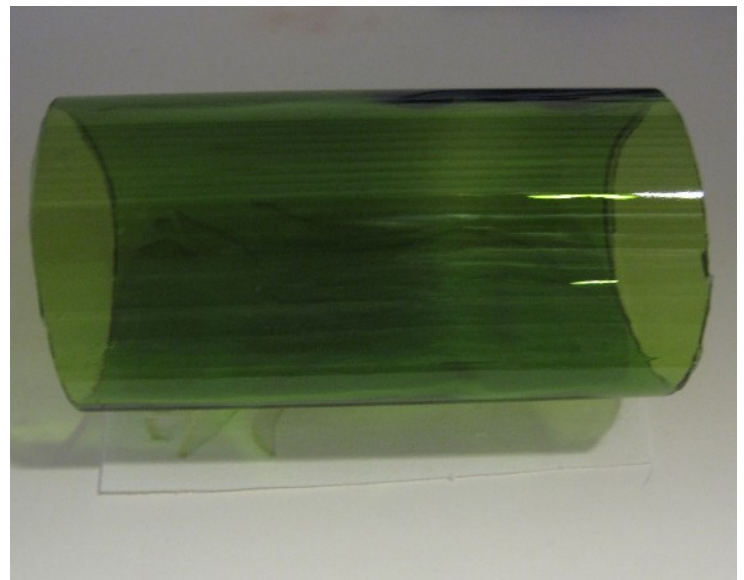
1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern.



2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



3. Cut black border last if you wish. Tada! Finished fiber paper pattern.



4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)



Ivy



Kiln Carving Pattern for Ivy

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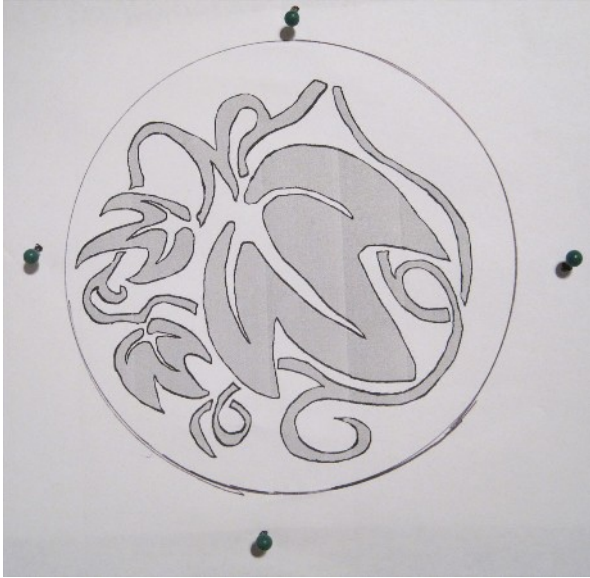


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Kiln Carving Pattern for Ivy Instructions

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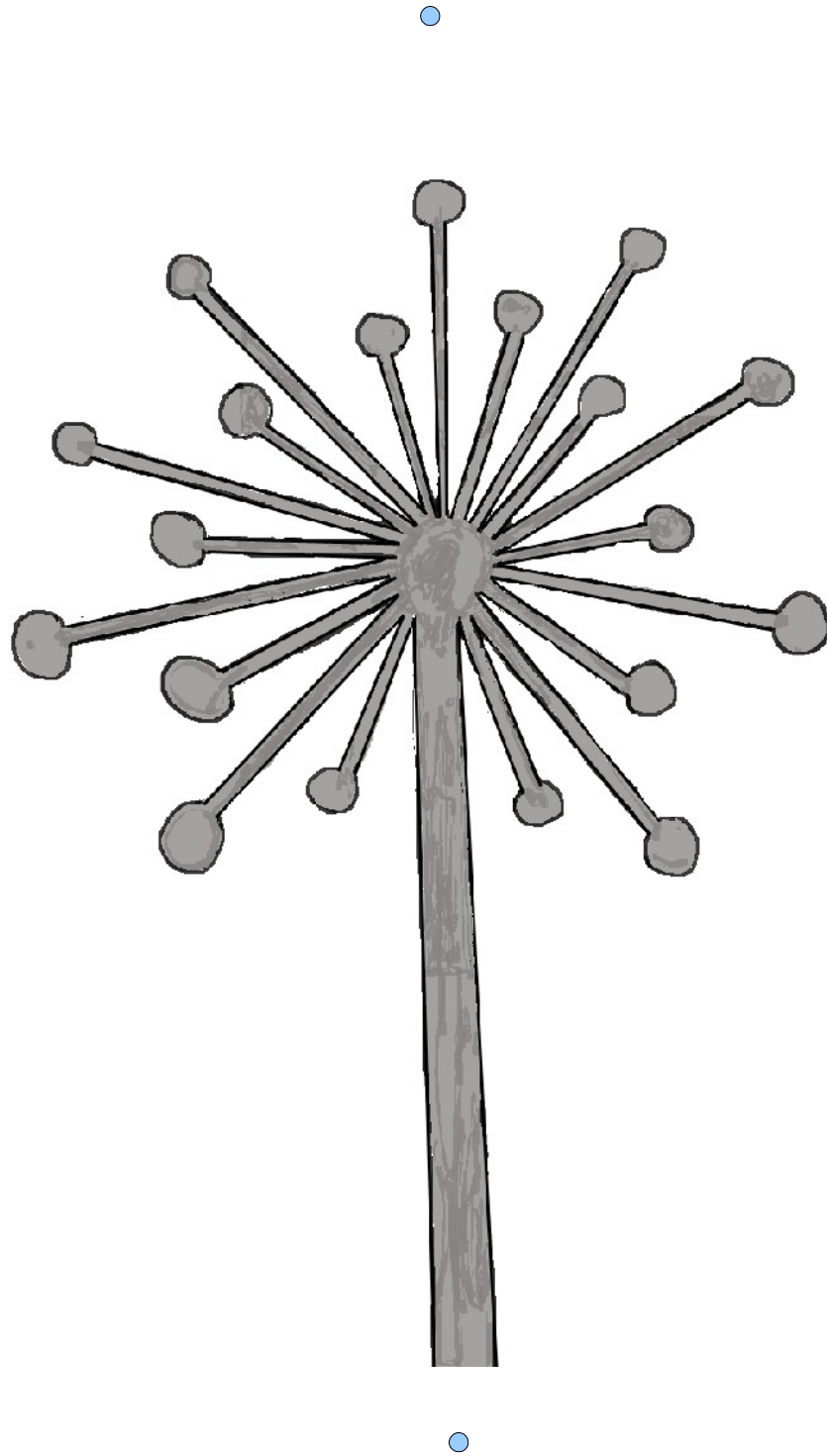


Allium



Kiln Carving Pattern - Allium

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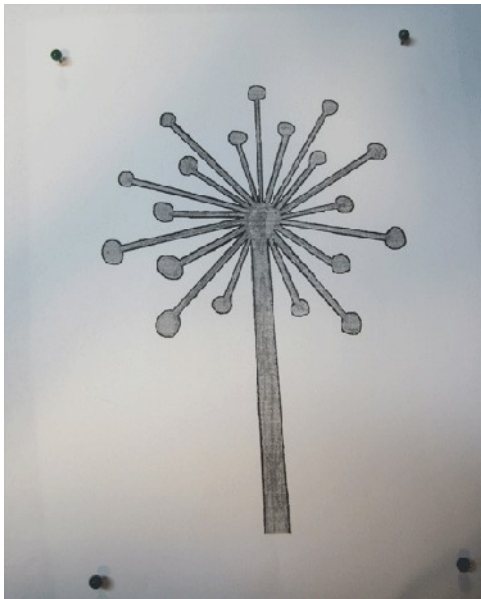


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Kiln Carving Pattern - Allium Instructions

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern and pin both layers to a cut proof surface.



2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. After cutting all of the gray pieces, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass (this pattern is perfectly sized for a 1.5L or 750mL bottle), and fire to a full fuse.



4. After fusing, you can drill a hole in the top of the finished piece as a suncatcher or slump into a dish mold.

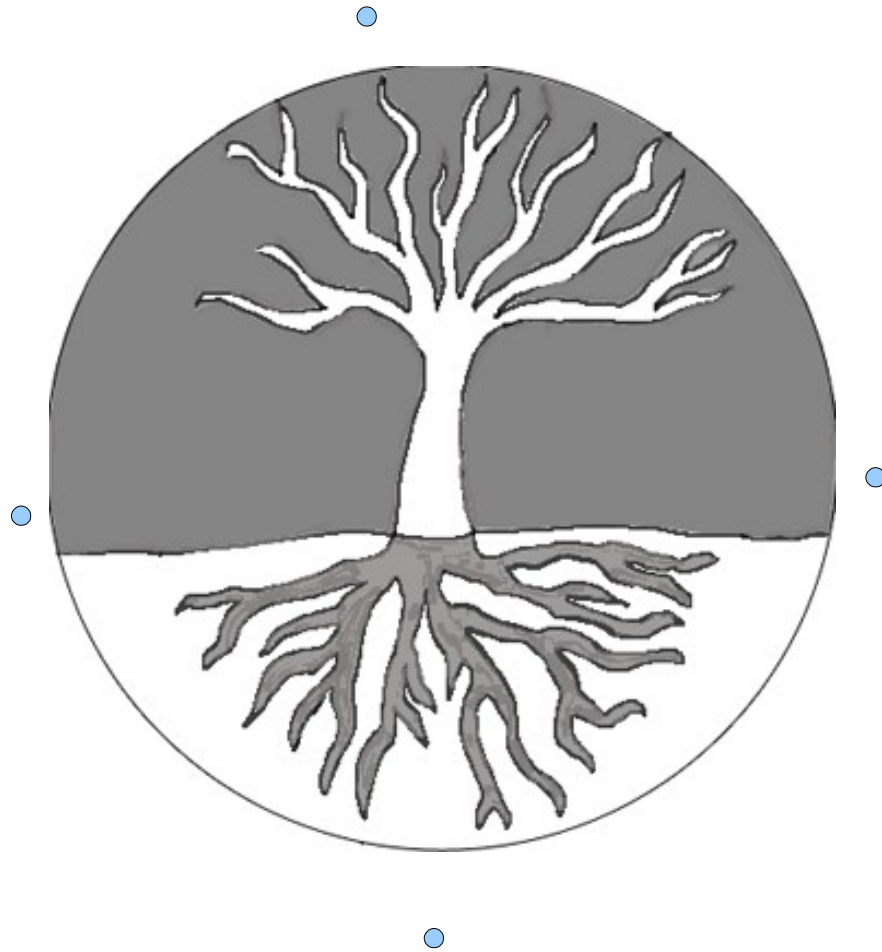


Tree of Life



Kiln Carving Pattern – Tree of Life

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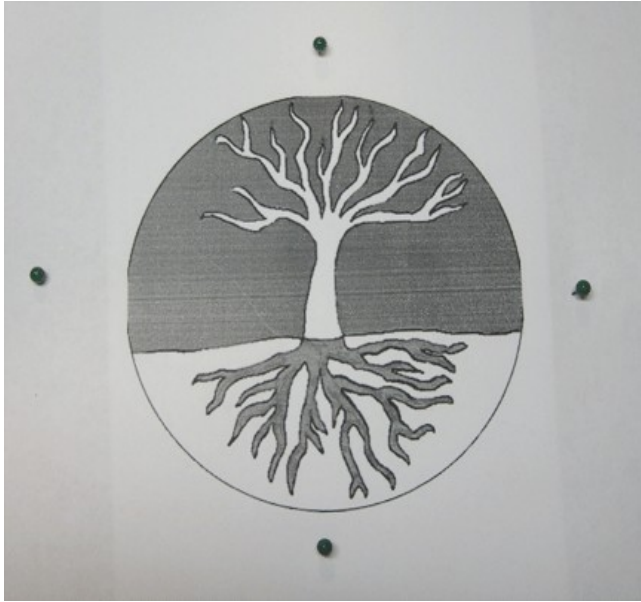


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Kiln Carving Pattern – Tree of Life Instructions

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2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. After cutting all of the gray pieces, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass (this pattern is perfectly sized for a bottle bottom), and fire to a full fuse.



4. After fusing, drill a hole in the top of the finished piece as a suncatcher.

Animals and Creatures

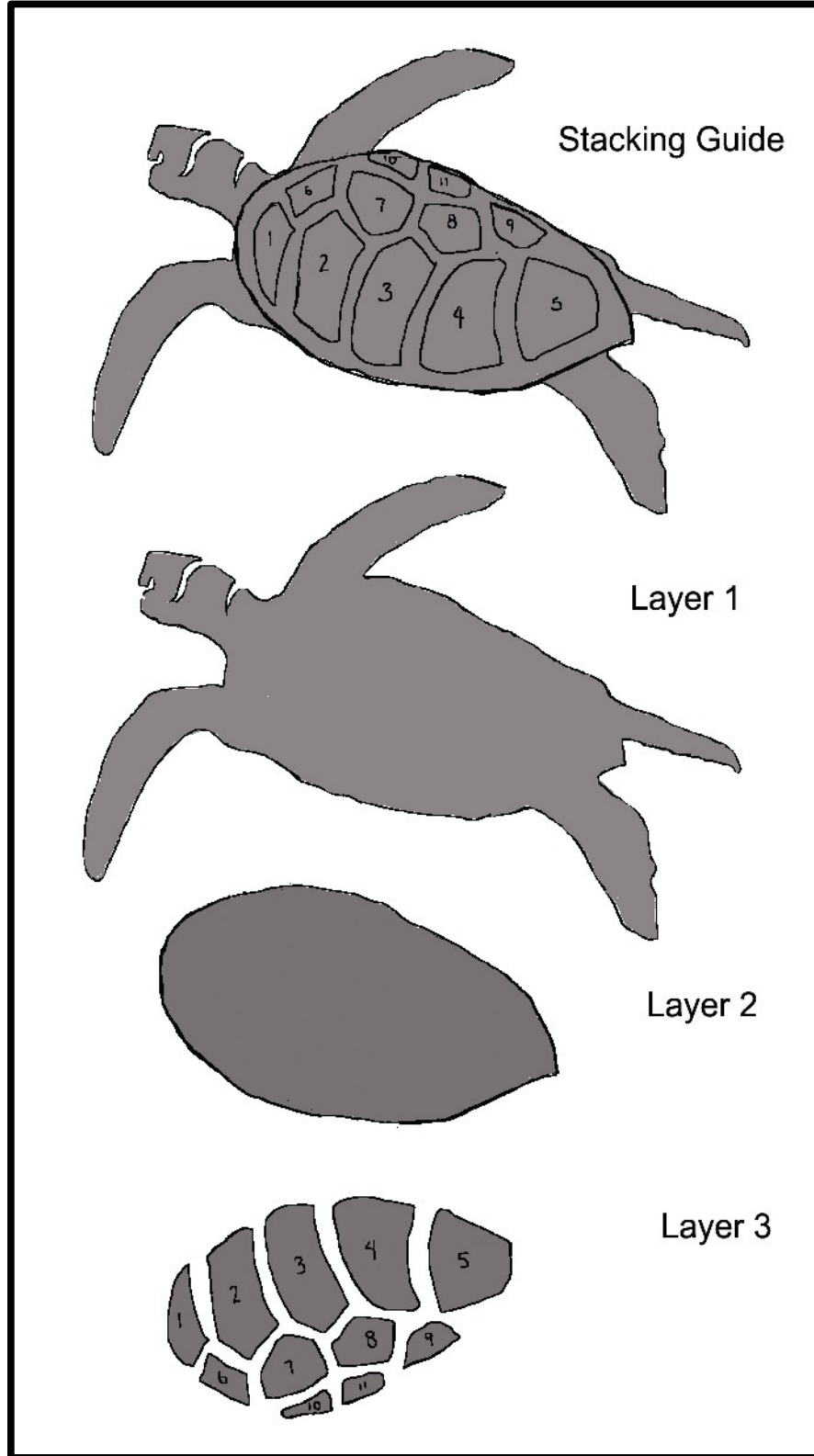
- Sea Turtle
- Snail
- Hummingbird
- Gecko
- Puddle Duck



Sea Turtle

Kiln Carving Pattern – Sea Turtle

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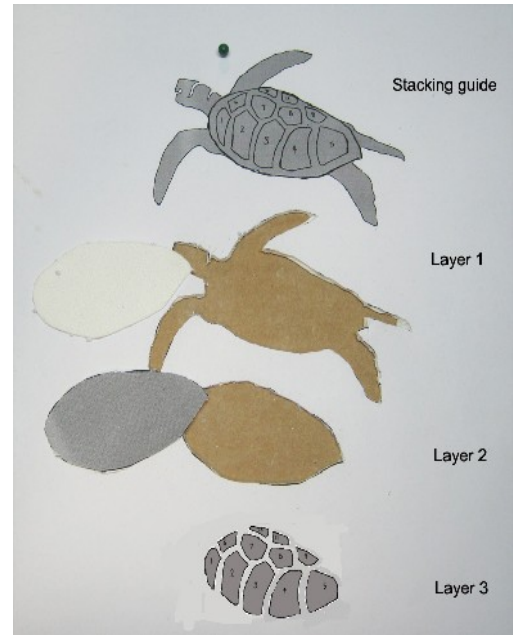
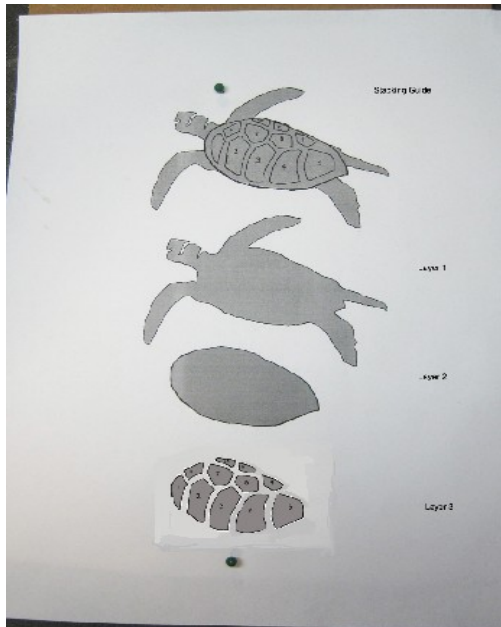


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Kiln Carving Pattern for Sea Turtle Instructions

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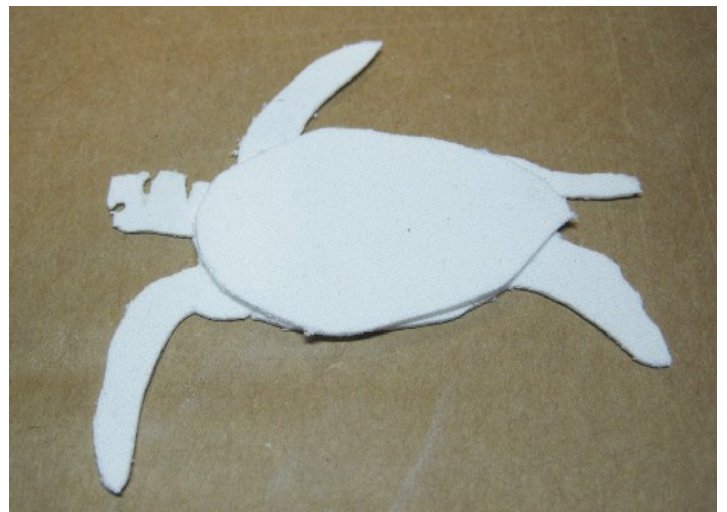


1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern. This is a good pattern for those little scraps, as we are cutting out the gray and keeping it.

2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and set aside gray areas. The gray parts will be the parts we use.



3. Use a small hole punch to make the eye in layer 1. If you don't have a small hole punch, do the best you can with an X-acto knife.



4. Stack layer 2 on top of layer 1, referring to the stacking guide.



Kiln Carving Pattern for Sea Turtle Instructions

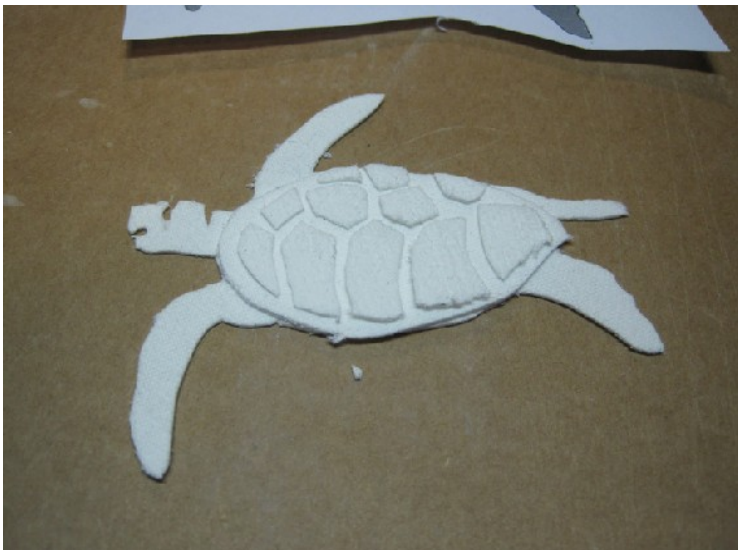
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5. Carefully cut out shell pieces from layer 3.



6. Using the stacking guide, add the shell pieces to the body of the turtle.



7. When all the pieces are stacked, cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)



8. Done! This would be an excellent pattern to use for a soap dish. It could also be used in a wall vase.

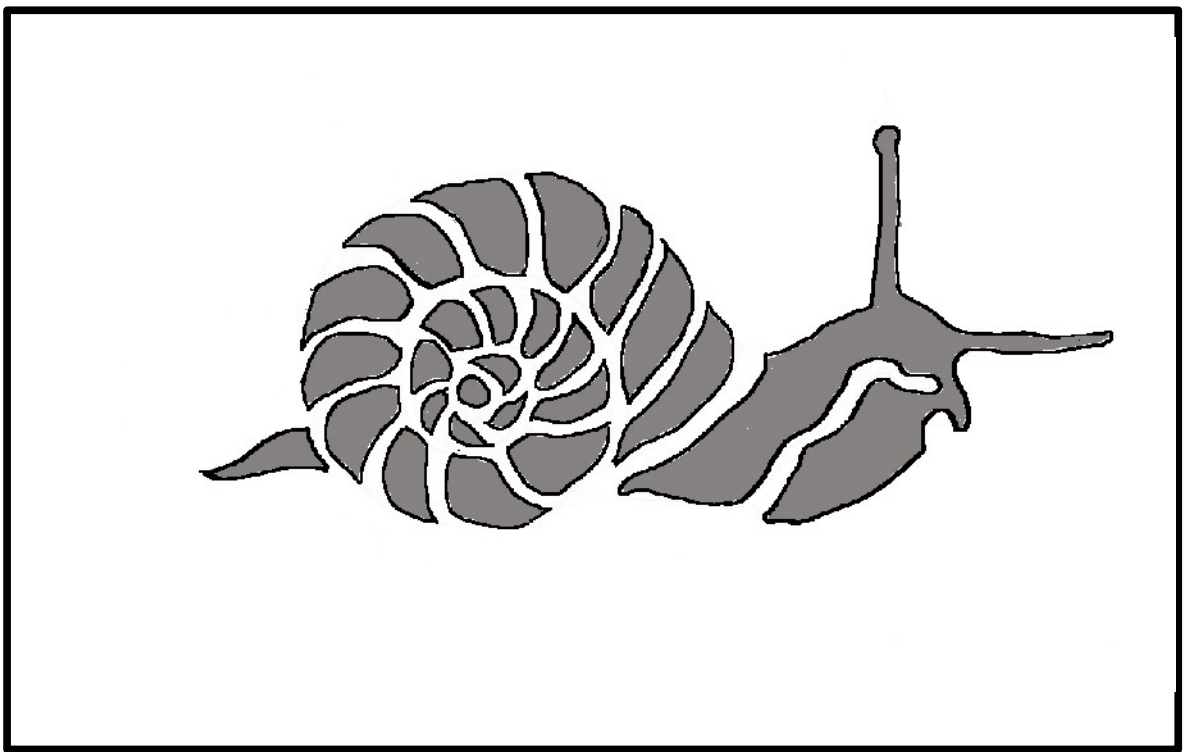


Snail



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Kiln Carving Pattern for Snail

Instructions

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4. Done! This would be an excellent design for garden art.



Hummingbird



Kiln Carving Pattern - Hummingbird

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Kiln Carving Pattern - Hummingbird Instructions

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1. Print the pattern on cardstock and carefully cut the gray areas out to use as a stencil.



2. Pin the stencil on a piece of fiber paper and cut the fiber paper out of the stencil areas.



3. After cutting out the stencil, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass.



4. After fusing, you can drill a hole in the top of the finished piece as a suncatcher or slump into a dish mold.

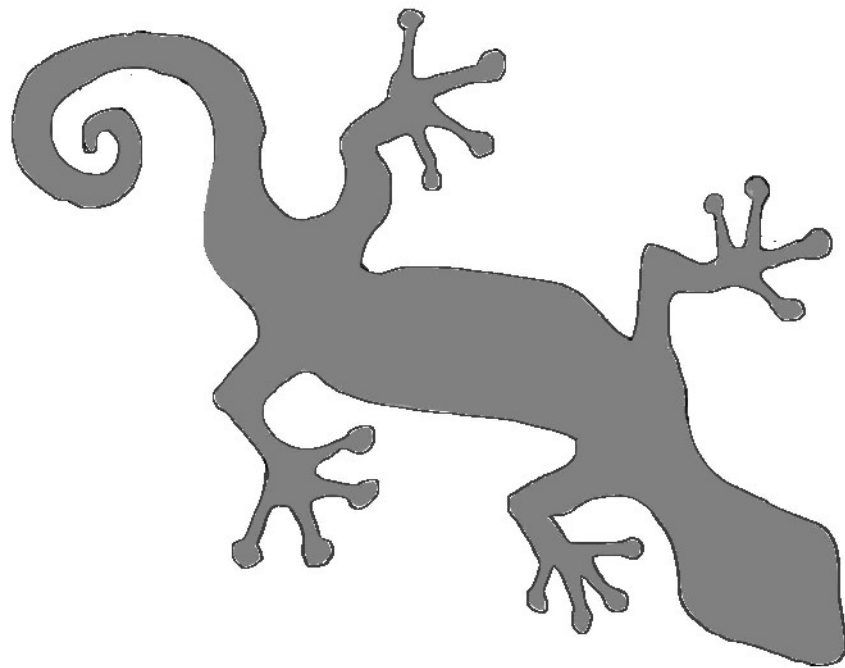


Gecko



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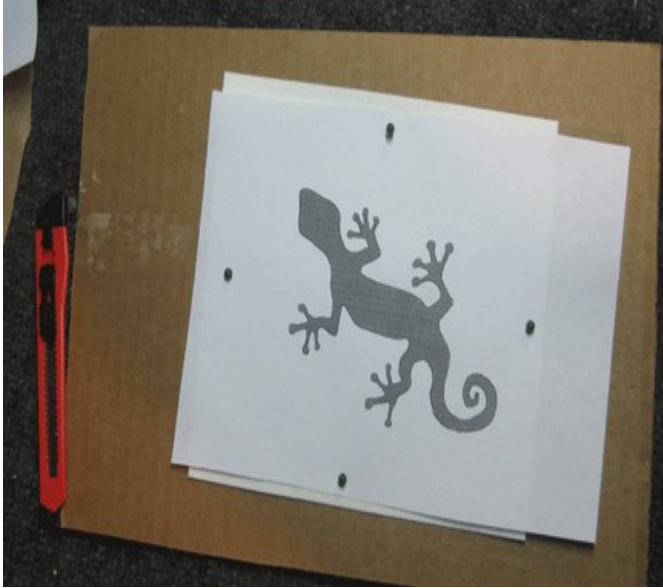


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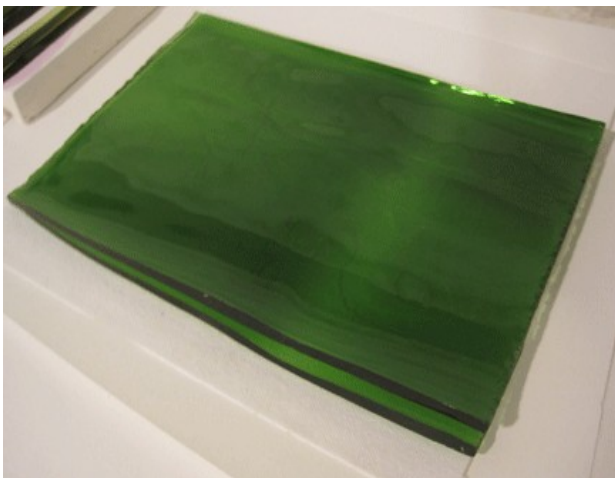
Kiln Carving Pattern - Gecko Instructions

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern and pin both layers to a cut proof surface.

2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. After cutting all of the gray pieces, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass (this pattern is perfectly sized for a 1.5L or 750mL bottle), and fire to a full fuse.

4. After fusing, you can drill a hole in the top of the finished piece as a suncatcher or slump into a dish mold.



Puddle Duck



Kiln Carving Pattern for Puddle Duck

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Kiln Carving Pattern for Puddle Duck Instructions

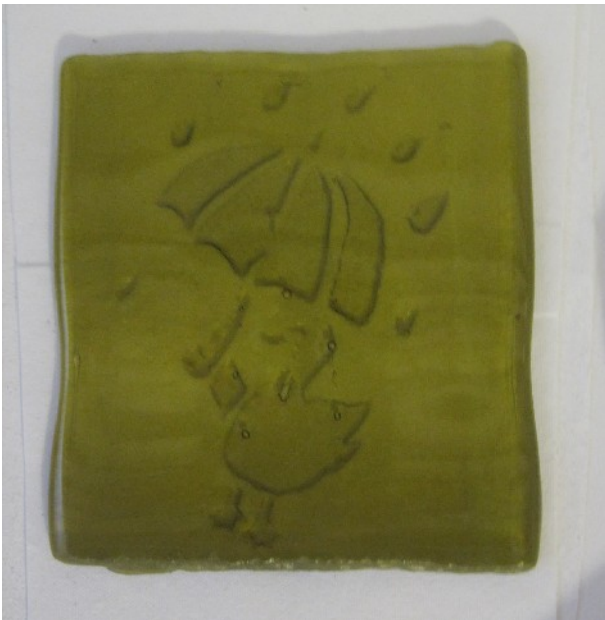
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2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)



4. Done! This example has been drilled for use as a suncatcher, but it could also be slumped into a dish.

Holiday Themed Patterns

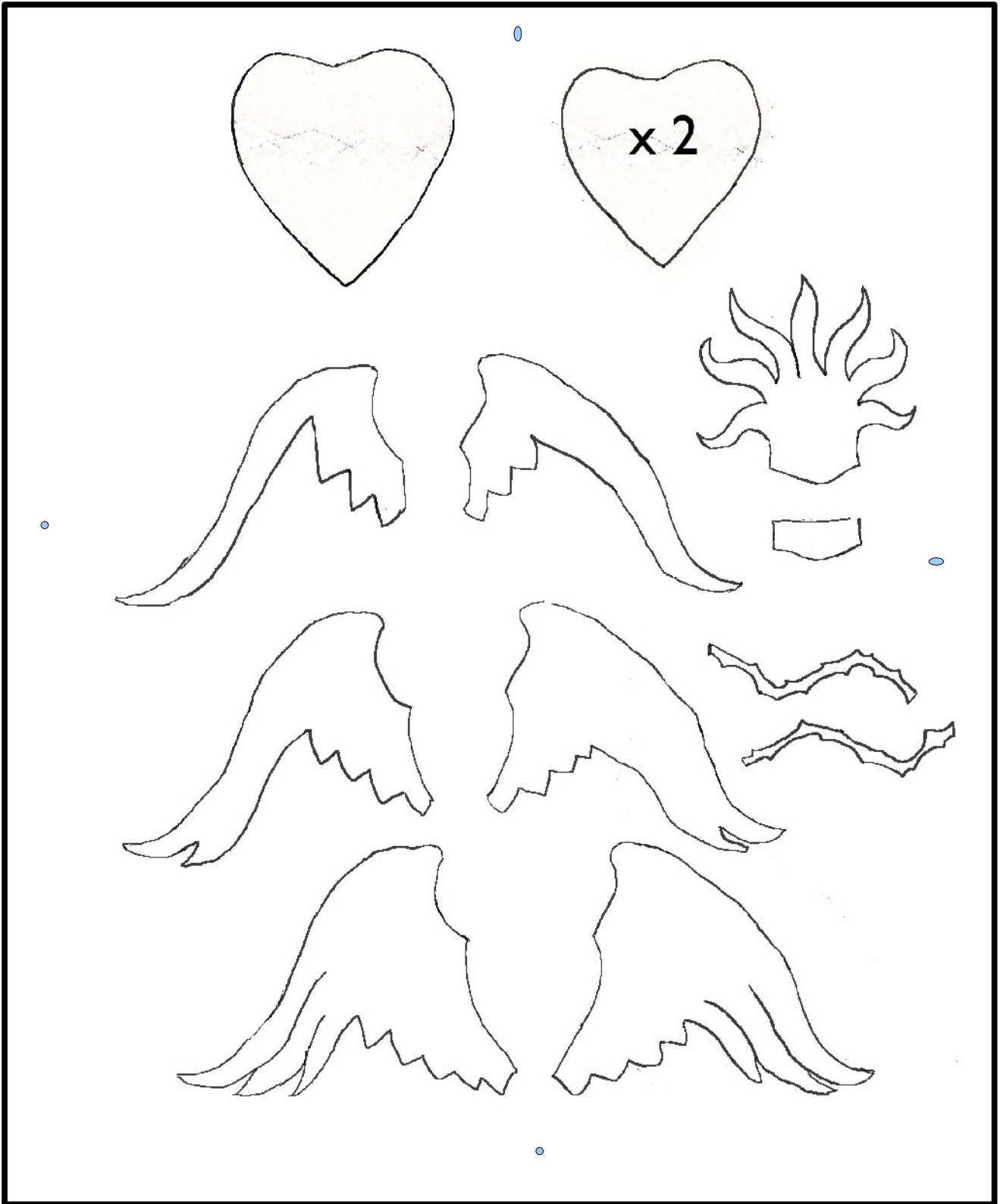
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Winged Heart

Kiln Carving Pattern – Winged Heart

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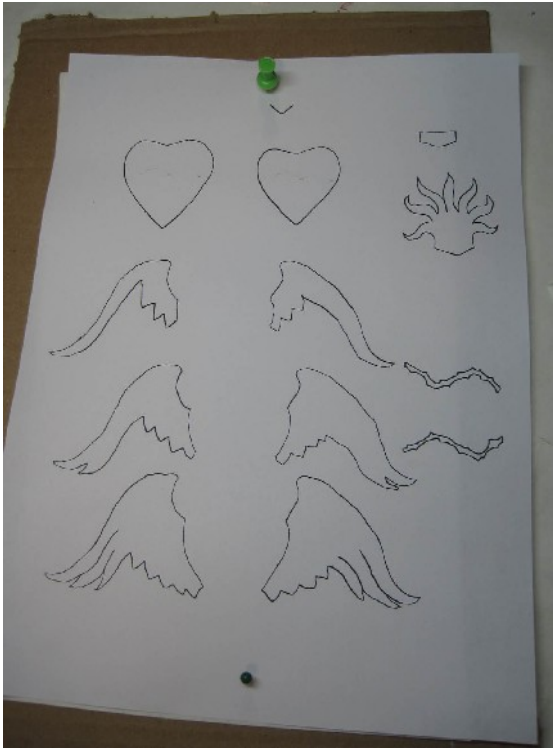


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Kiln Carving Pattern for Winged Heart Instructions

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern. This is a good pattern for those little scraps, as we are cutting out the outlined parts.

2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and set aside outlined areas. The outlined parts will be the parts we use.



3. After cutting all of the pieces, stack the wing pieces up, aligning the top edges. For easy in transferring to the kiln, you may want to build your stack directly on a piece of thinfire, or on your prepared kiln shelf.

4. Stack the 2 smaller hearts together and place between wings.



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5. Next add the flames, with the bottom lining up with the top of the small heart.



6. Next add the crown base on top of the flames, then add the large heart to the top of the small heart stack. Notice it will hang over slightly, try to get it centered. It will also overlap the crown.



7. Carefully weave the thorn cut outs so they are combined.



8. Add the thorns to the top of the stack.



9. When all the pieces are stacked, cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)



8. Done! This would be an excellent pattern to use for a suncatcher or art panel.

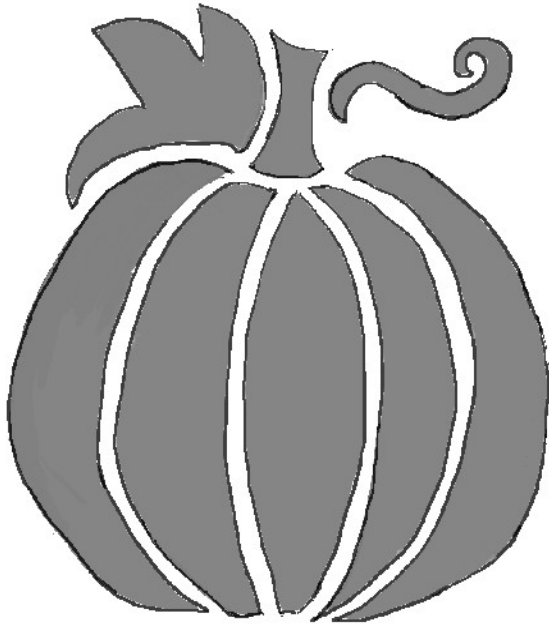


Jack O'Lanterns



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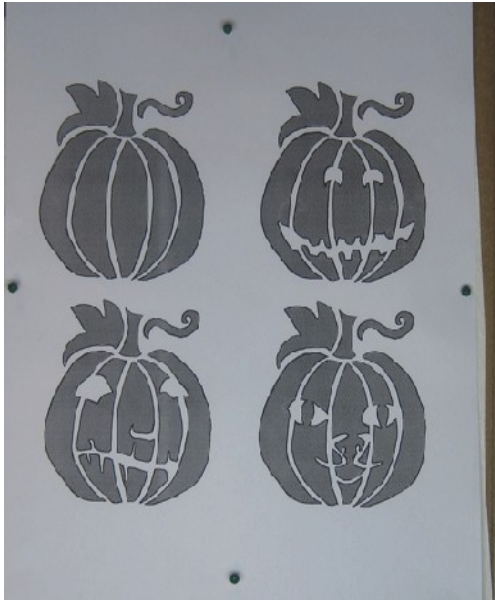


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Kiln Carving Pattern for Jack O'Lanterns Instructions

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2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. After cutting all of the gray pieces, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass (this one is 10" x 10"), and fire to a full fuse.



4. After fusing, you can use the 4 pumpkin glass for either a dish or a hanging piece. Here I have painted the raised areas with Mica and then slumped into a square dish.

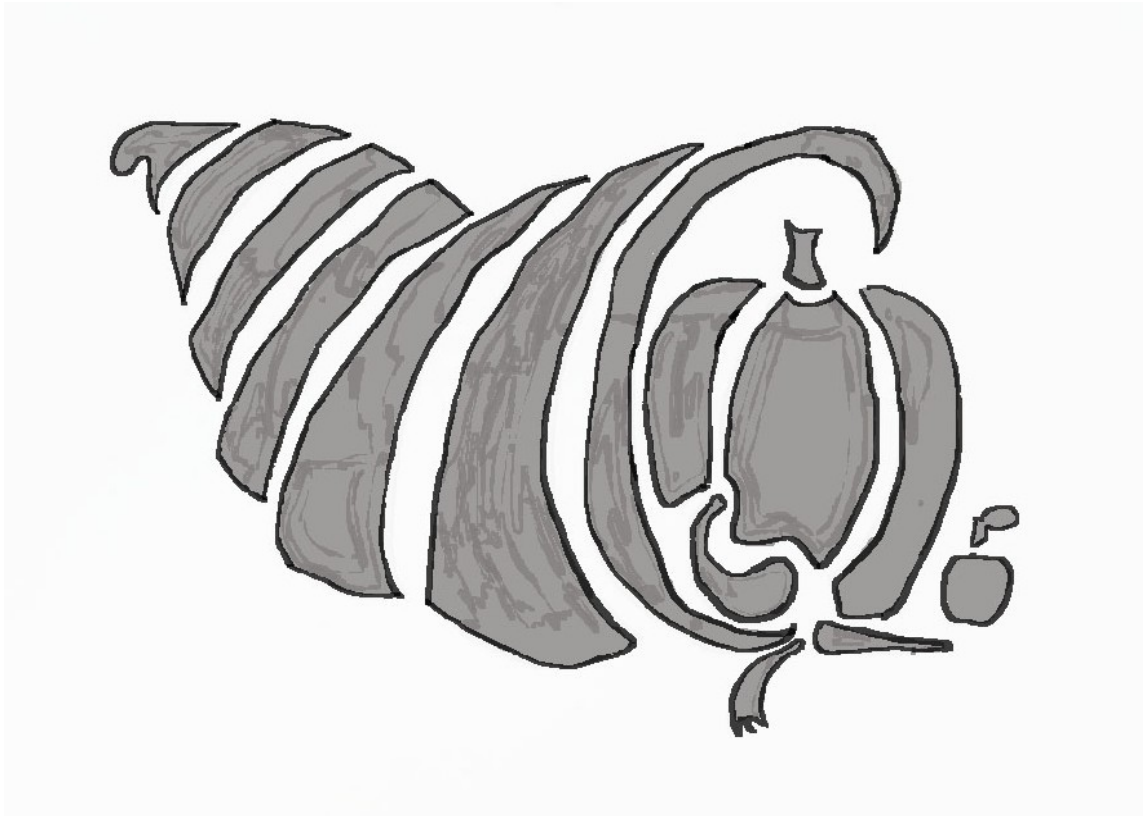


Cornucopia



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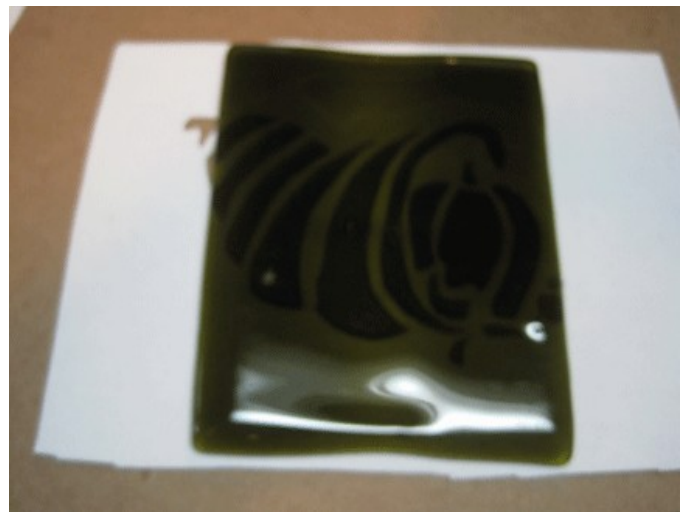


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2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. After cutting all of the gray pieces, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass (I'm using a yellow bottle), and fire to a full fuse.



4. After fusing, you can use the finished piece as a suncatcher, or slump into a cute condiment dish.

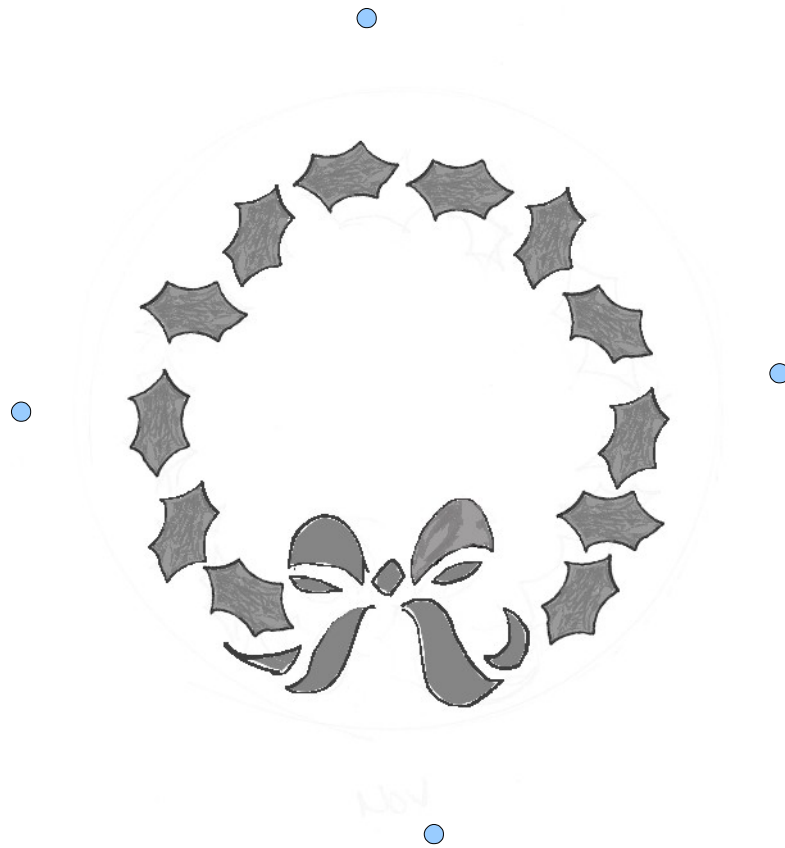


Holly Wreath



Kiln Carving Pattern Holly Wreath

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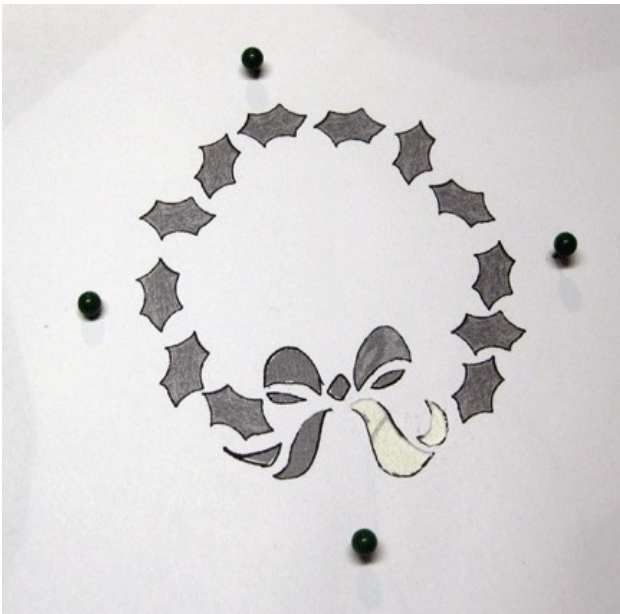


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Kiln Carving Pattern Holly Wreath Instructions

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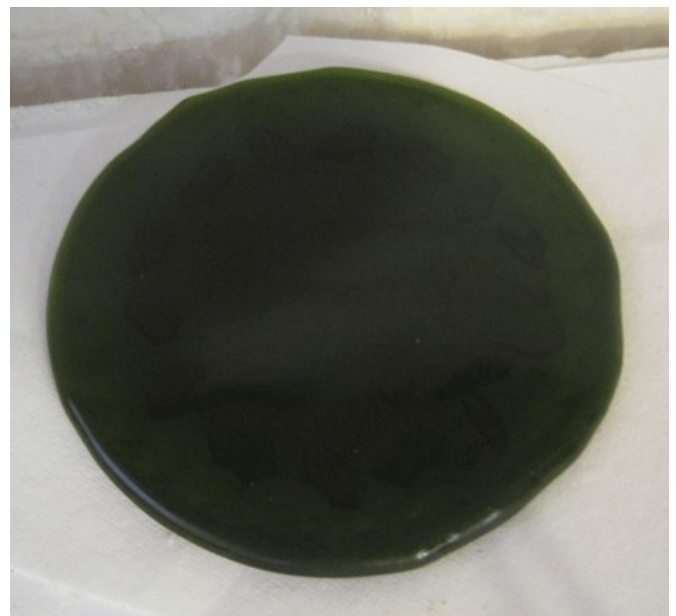
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4. After fusing, drill a hole in the top of the finished piece as a holiday ornament or suncatcher.

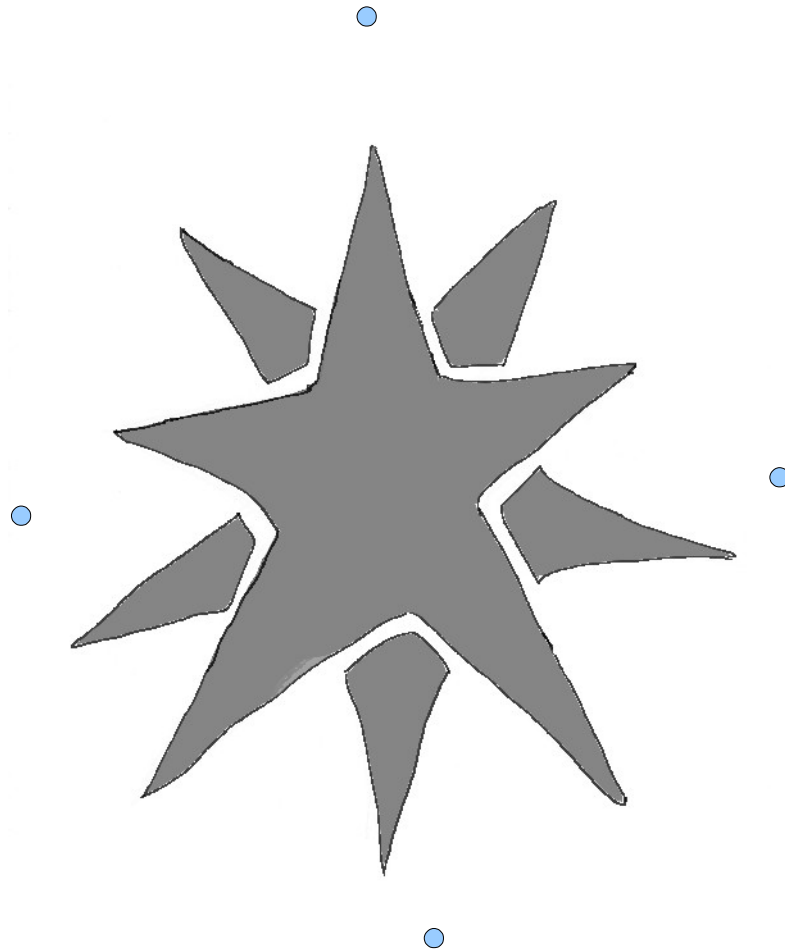


Star



Kiln Carving Pattern for Star

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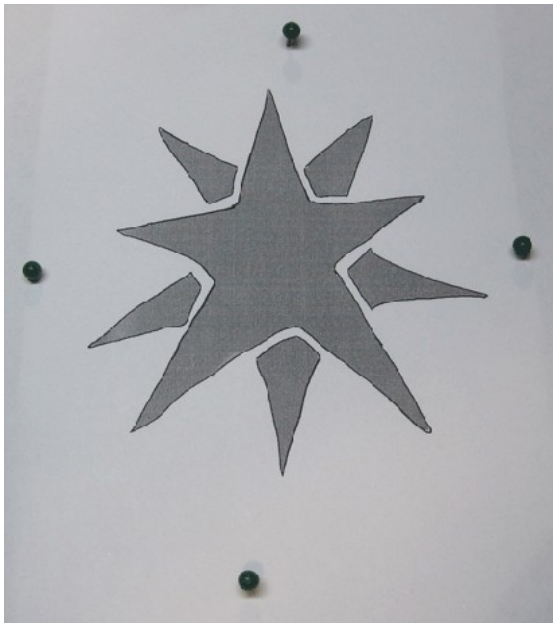


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Kiln Carving Pattern - Star Instructions

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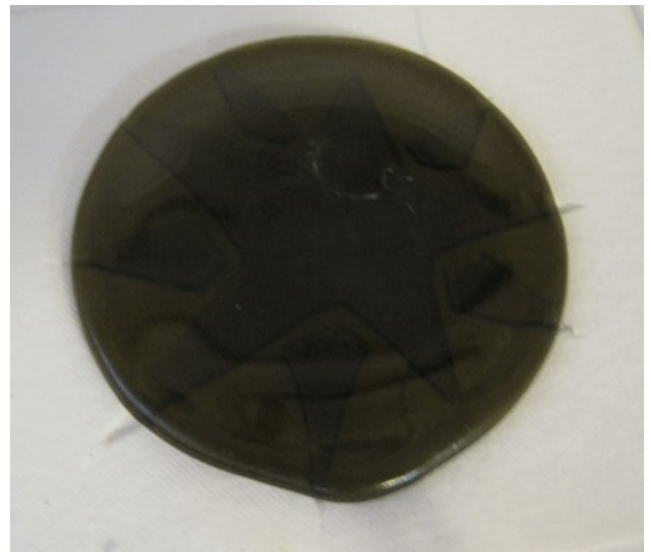
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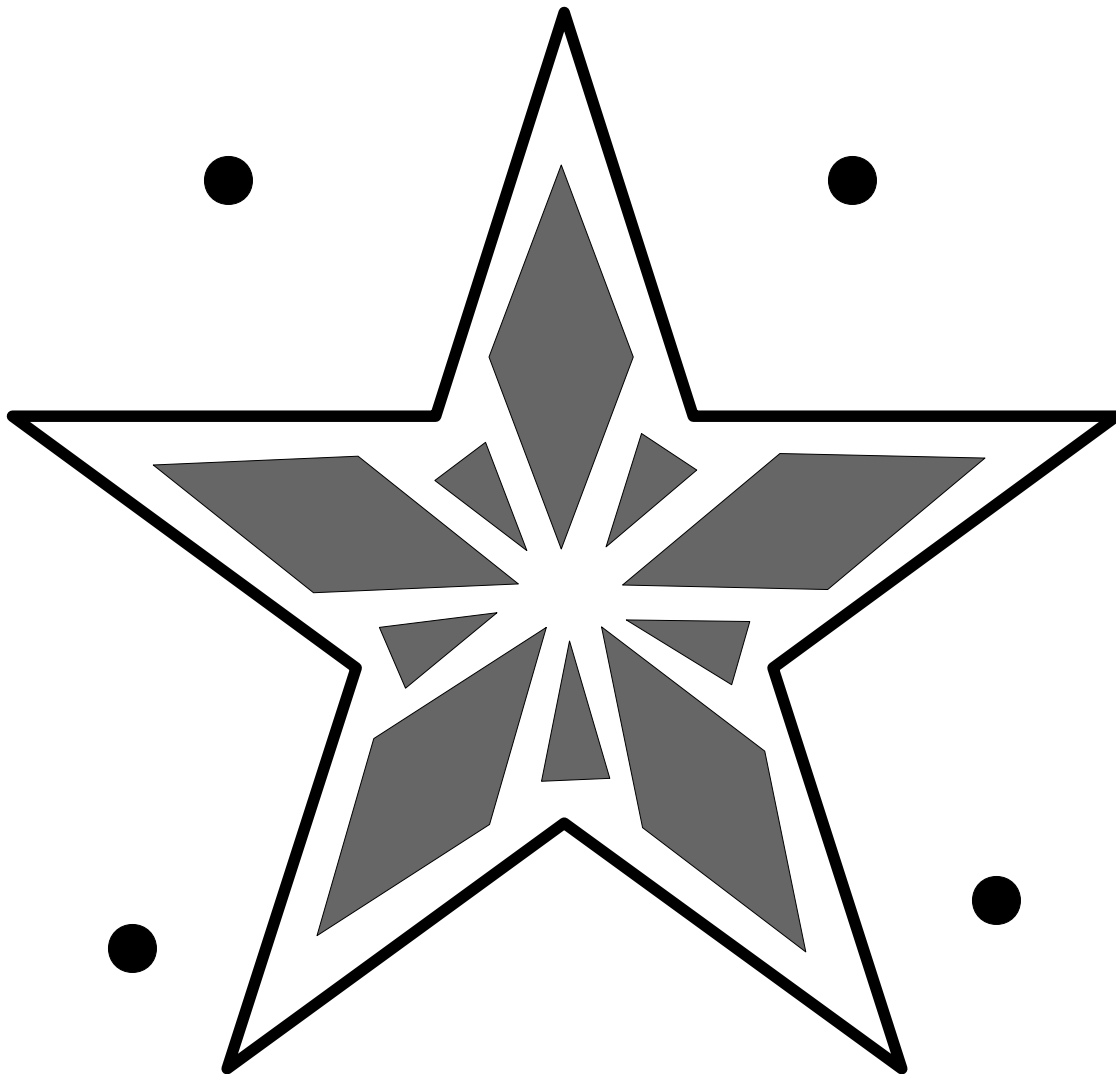


Star v.2



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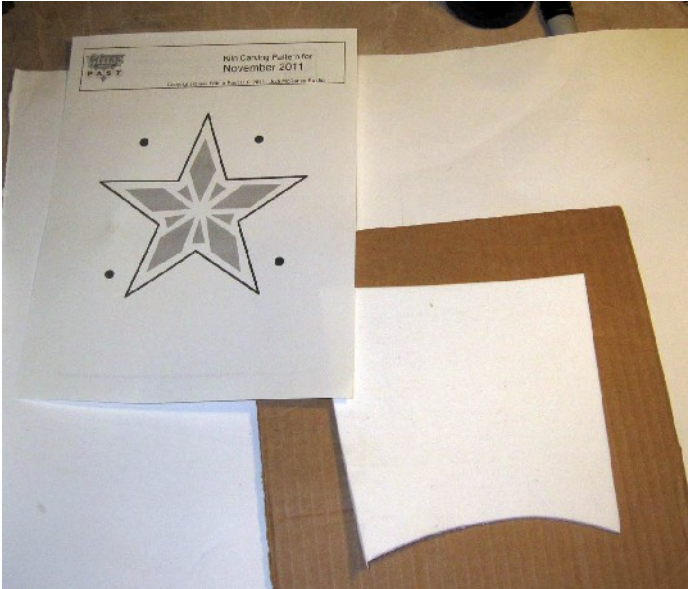
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Kiln Carving Pattern for Star v.2

Instructions

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern.



2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



3. Cut black border line last. Tada! Finished fiber paper pattern.



4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)

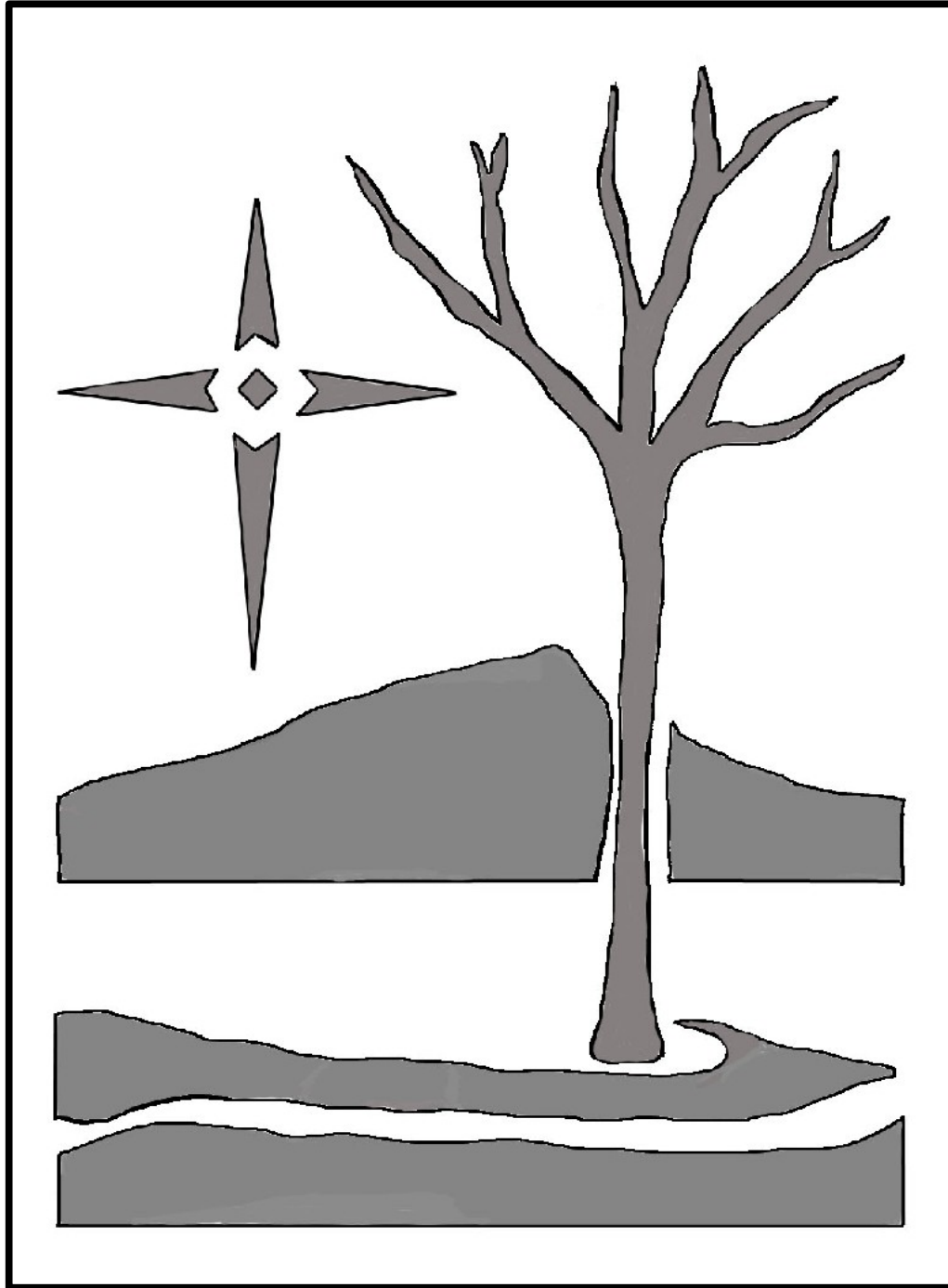


Silent Night



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Kiln Carving Pattern for Silent Night Instructions

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2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



3. Cut black border last if you wish. Nice! Finished fiber paper pattern.



4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)

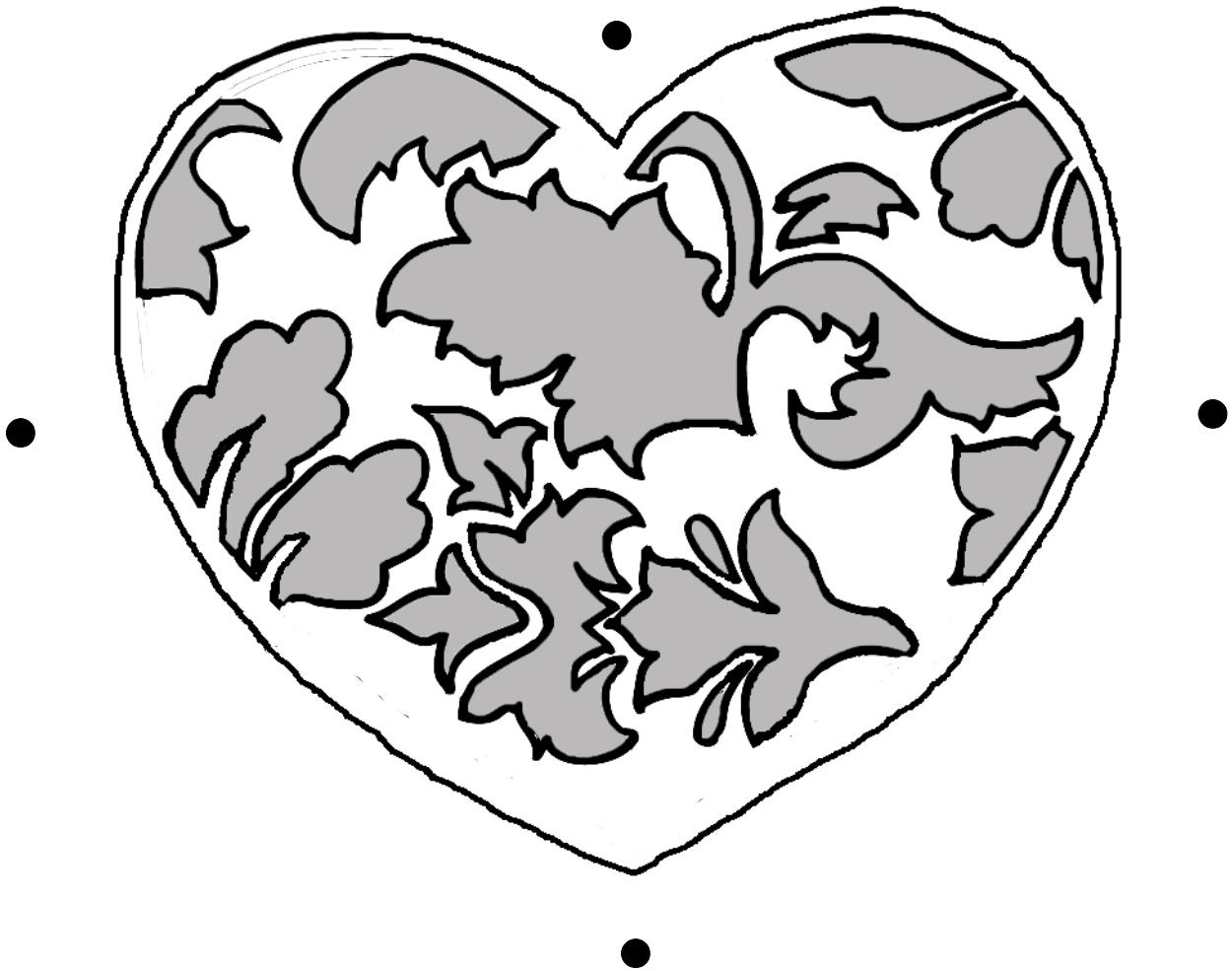


Floral Heart



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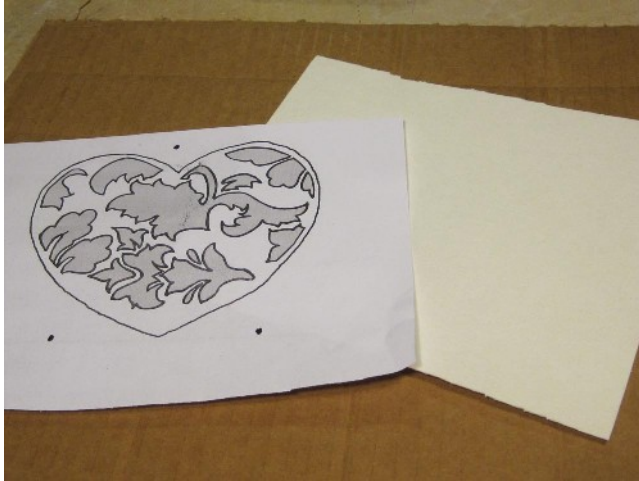


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Kiln Carving Pattern for Floral Heart Instructions

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2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



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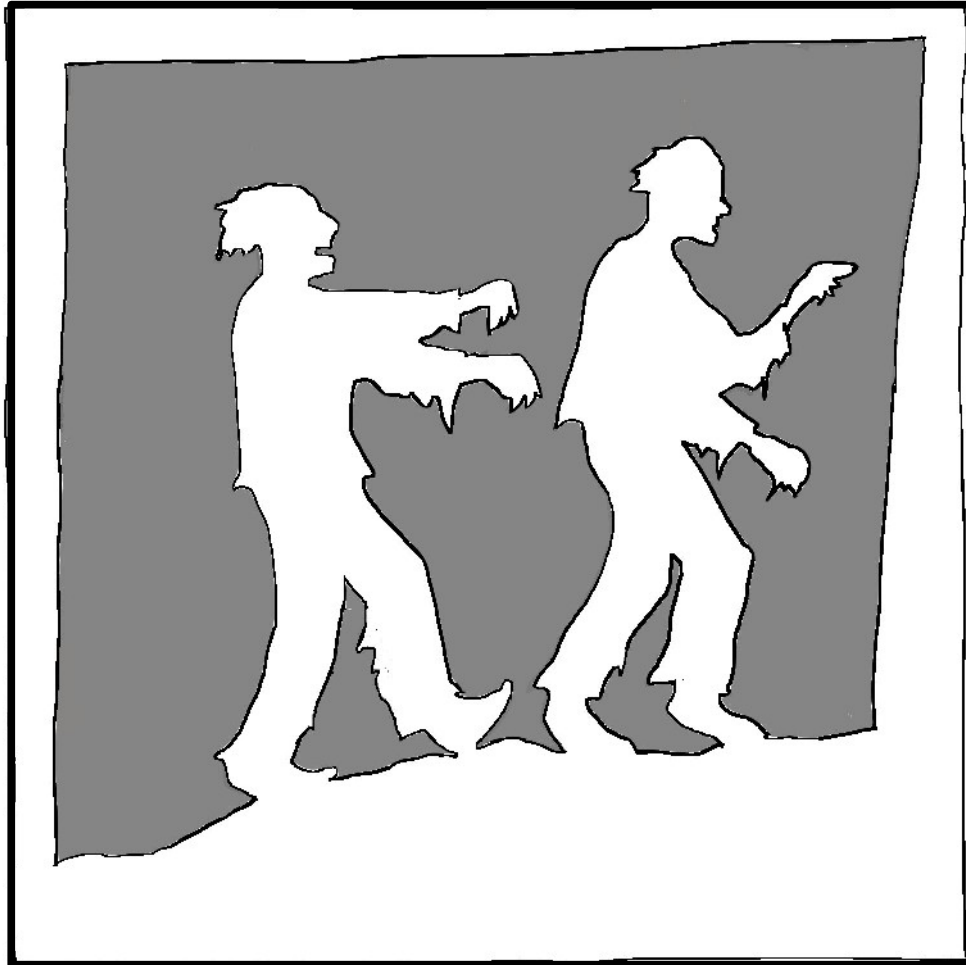


Zombies



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2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Carefully!



3. Cut black border last if you wish. Be careful, this is the part where they try and eat your brains!



4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)

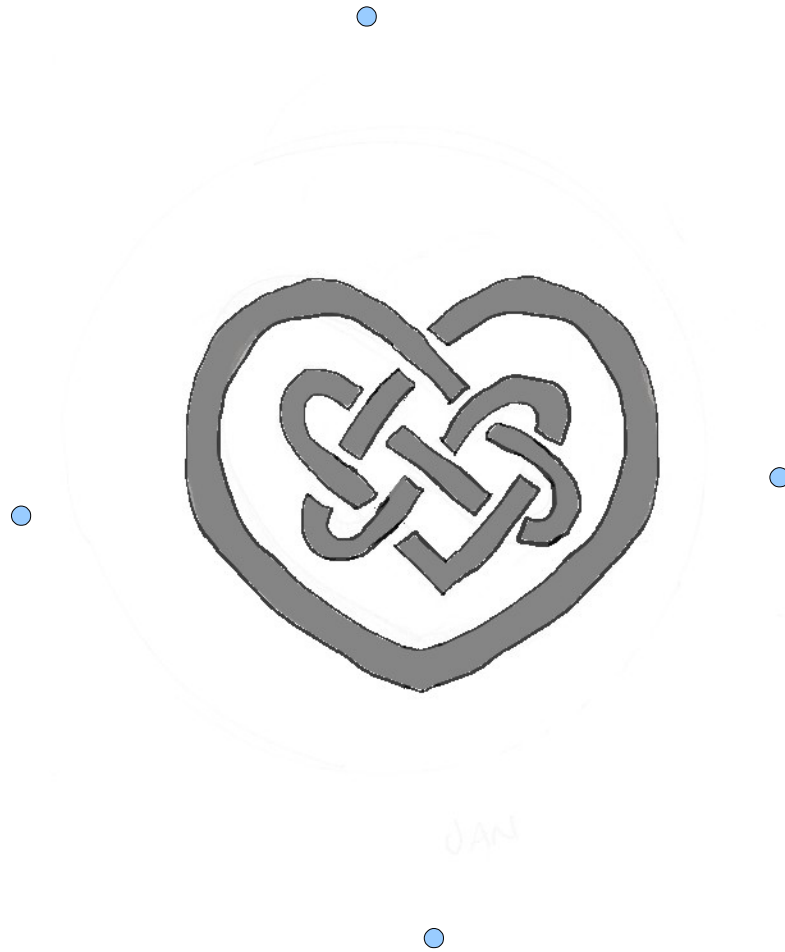


Celtic Heart



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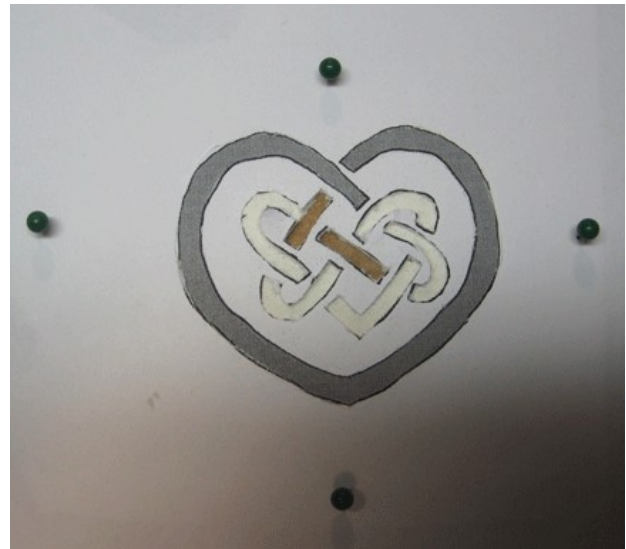
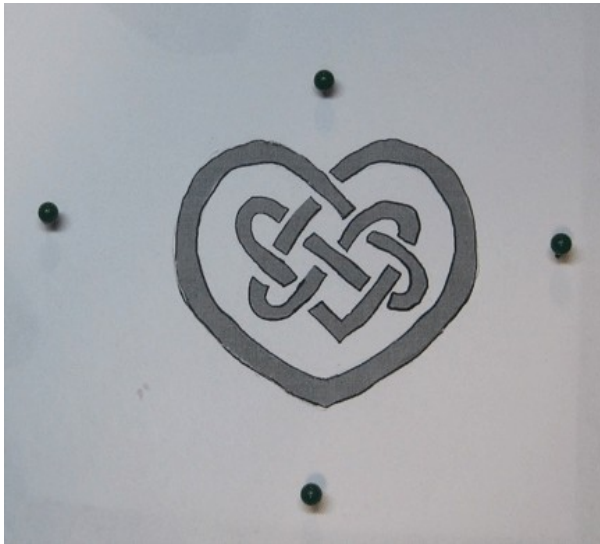


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2. Carefully cut through the paper and fiber paper with a sharp razor and remove gray areas.



3. After cutting all of the gray pieces, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass (this pattern is perfectly sized for a bottle bottom), and fire to a full fuse.

4. After fusing, drill a hole in the top of the finished piece as a suncatcher.

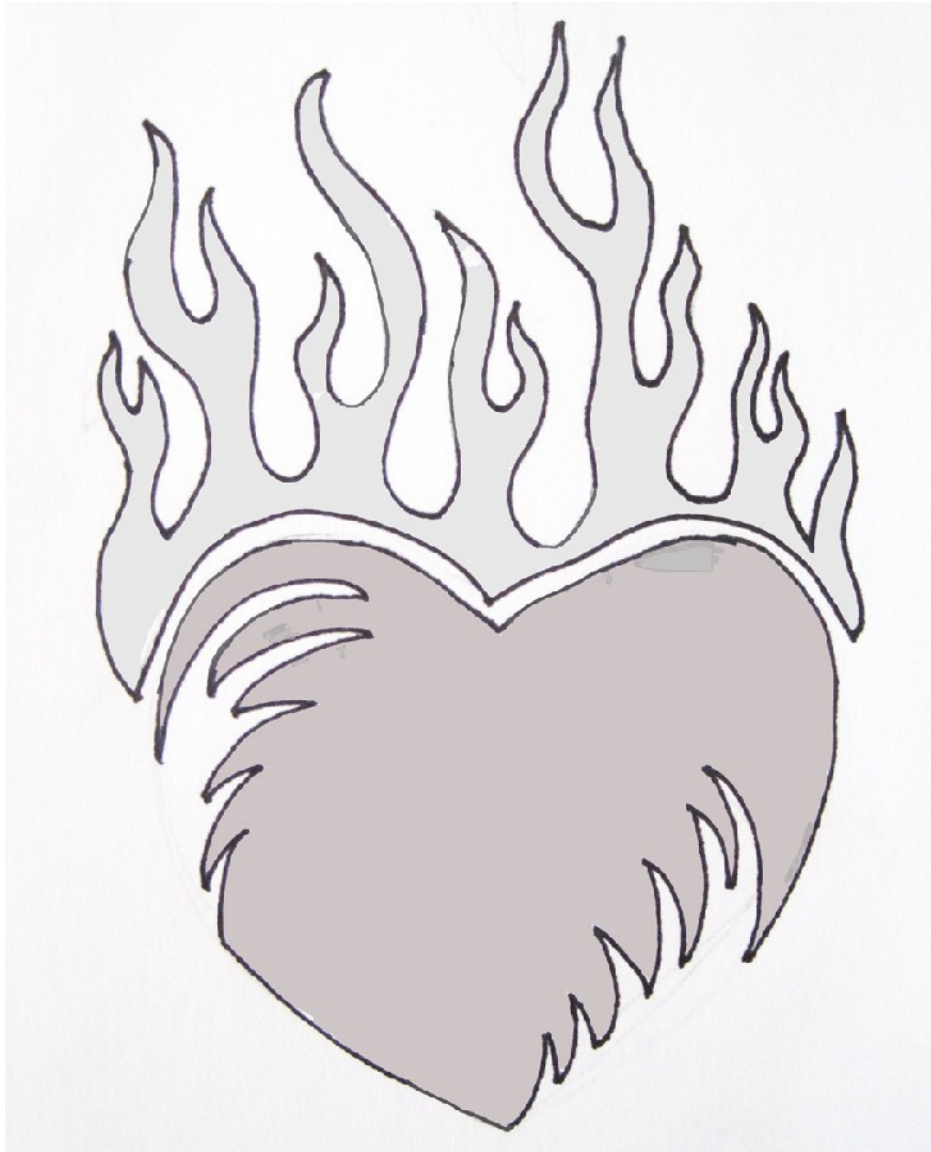


Flaming Heart



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Kiln Carving Pattern – Flaming Heart Instructions

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1. Print the pattern on cardstock and carefully cut the gray areas out to use as a stencil.



2. Pin the stencil on a piece of fiber paper and cut the fiber paper out of the stencil areas.



3. After cutting out the stencil, place the fiber paper on a prepared kiln shelf under an appropriately sized piece of glass. Now would be a good time to add a fused in hanger if you wished.



4. After fusing, you can drill a hole in the top of the finished piece as a suncatcher or slump into a dish mold.

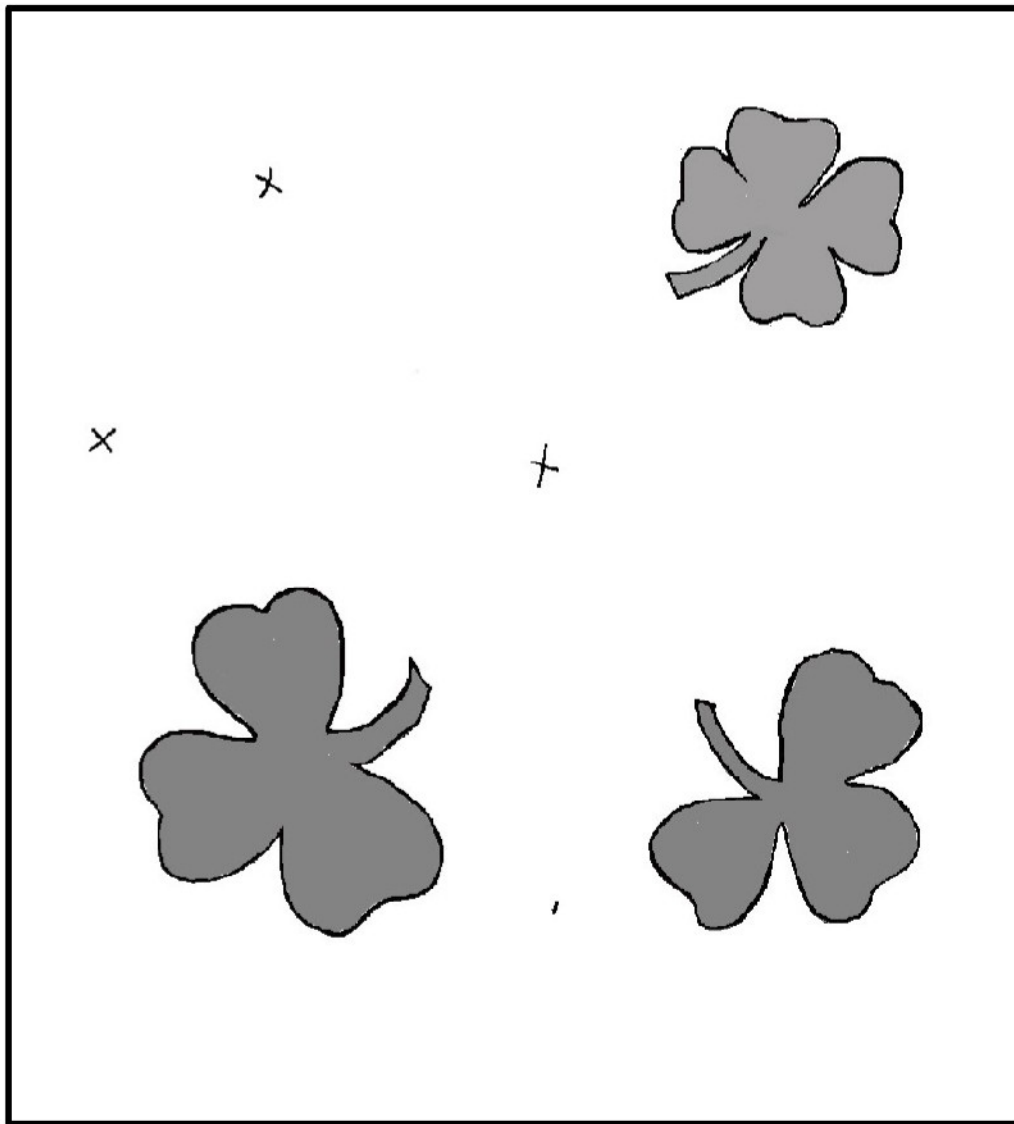


Shamrocks



Kiln Carving Pattern for Shamrocks

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1. Cut a piece of fiber paper large enough to accommodate the entire pattern.



2. Insert tacks through black anchor dots and cut out gray areas with a very sharp razor knife. Set aside the cut out shamrocks for use later. Carefully!



3. Cut black border last if you wish. Place cut out shamrocks on the background where the X's were printed. (hint: poke holes through the pattern to mark the X's)



4. Cut glass to fit over fiber pattern, clean glass and fire. (suggested firing schedules can be found at: www.GlassWithaPast.com)



5. After firing remove both layers of fiber paper.



6. Done! This piece can now be drilled and used as a suncatcher, or slumped into a dish.

The Other Stuff

- Peace Sign
- Desert Sun



Peace Sign



Kiln Carving Pattern for Peace Sign

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2. . Set aside the white parts that you remove from the inside of the pattern, we'll be using them later. Carefully!



3. After the peace sign is cut out, add the inside pieces back into the circle. Now you have 2 patterns that you can use.

4. This pattern is a great size for a bottle bottom suncatcher. Add glass over fiber pattern and fire to a full fuse.

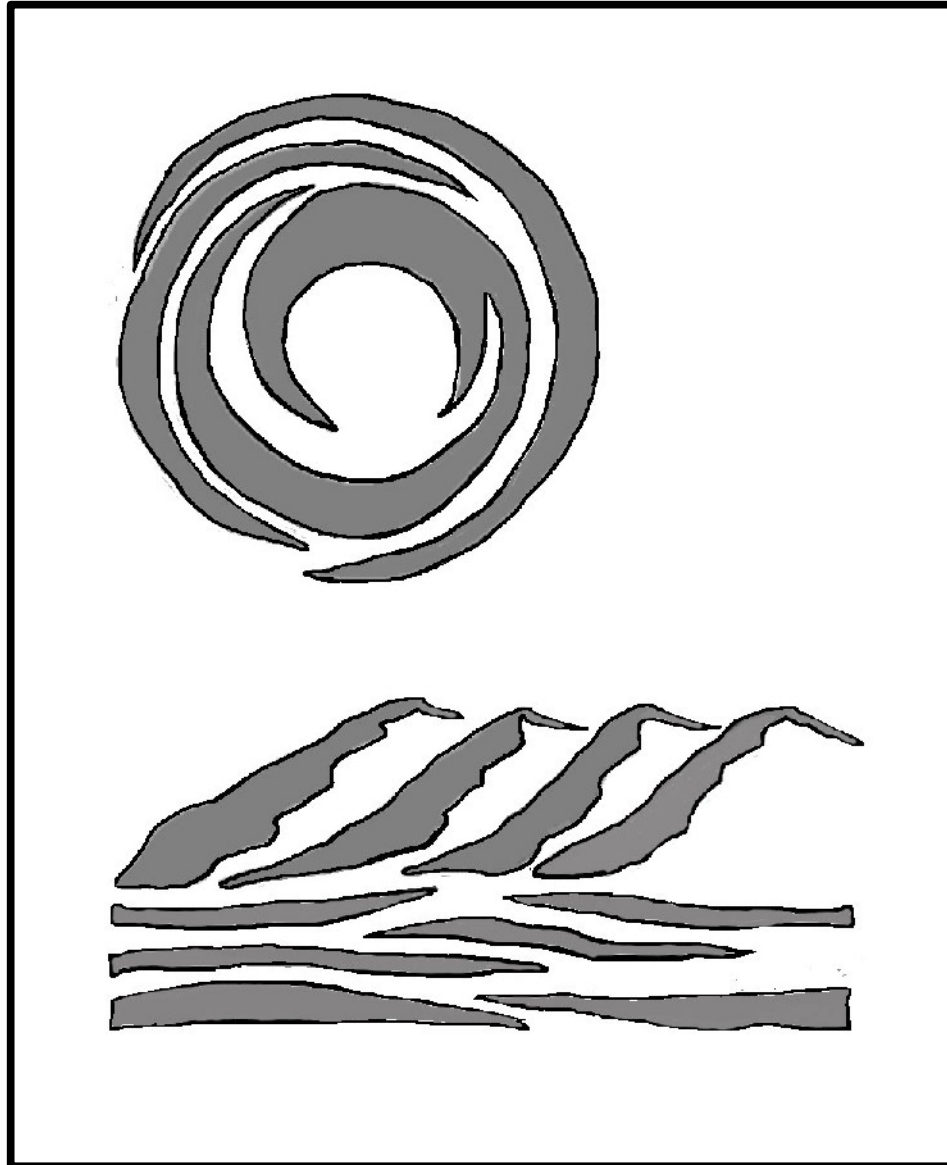


Desert Sun



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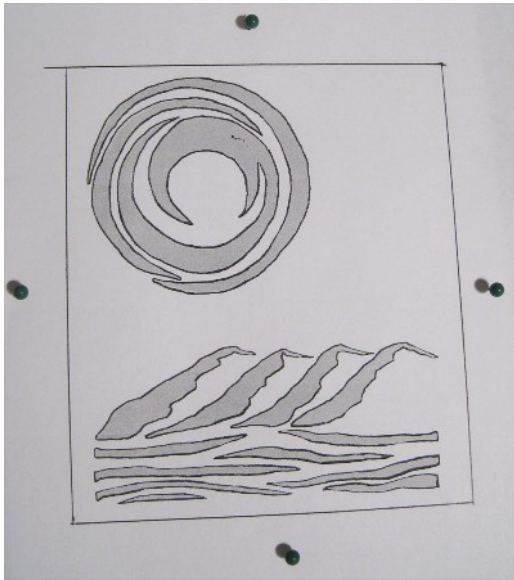


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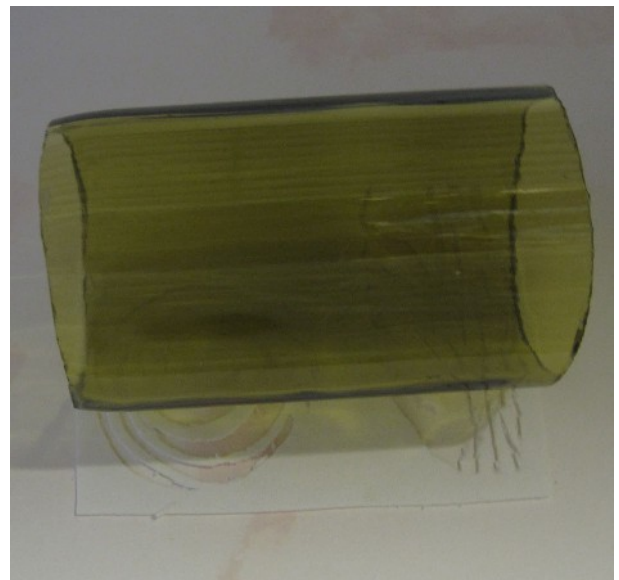
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Full Fuse Firing Schedule for Recycled Glass

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50/hr	940	0	28/hr	504	0
100/hr	740	0	56/hr	393	0
Off to room temp			Off to room temp		