Free Project Idea!

Mosaic Stepping Stone

Stepping stones add an artistic accent to your garden and make unique gifts!

Stained glass mosaics are fun projects for crafters of all ages, including kids!

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Mosaic Stepping Stone Directions

Materials Needed:
1 Bag each; purple, yellow, green and white stained glass chips
1 Tropical Fish Pre-Cut Stained Glass Pack
8" Square Stepping Stone Mold
Outdoor Cement
1 lb Sterling Grout

Glue - i.e. Liquid Nails™
Mixing Bowl and Spoon
Paper Towels and Newspaper
Petroleum
Wheeled Glass Nippers
Sponge or scrubby

Directions:
Step 1
1. Using a paper towel, apply a thin coat of petroleum jelly along the inside of the mold.

Step 2
1. Mix outdoor cement following the directions on the cement label. Wear a dust mask while mixing.
2. Pour cement slowly and evenly into the mold. Do not move the mold while the cement is drying.
3. Tap the sides of the mold for two to three minutes to release any air bubbles in the cement.
4. Wait for the cement to harden.
5. Remove the stone by turning the mold over and lifting up the edges of the mold.
6. Allow stone to cure for 24-48 hours.

Step 3
1. Place the prepared stepping stone on newspaper.
2. Nip purple and green glass chips into rectangular shapes. Glue rectangles 1/4” from the edge of the stepping stone alternating colors to form a border.
3. Next, nip purple, green and yellow chips into randomly shaped pieces. Using the photo as a guide, glue along the border.
4. Center the Tropical Fish Pre-cut on the stone and glue into place.
5. Fill the background of the stone with randomly nipped white glass chips.
6. Glue into place and allow to dry.

Step 4
1. Pour 1 ½ cups of sterling grout into a container. Add 1 tablespoon of water at a time, mix with a spoon or rubber spatula until the grout reaches “fudge” like consistency. It is best to add a little water at a time as you can always add more water, but you can’t take it out!
2. With gloved hands, spread the grout into all of the nooks and crannies, making certain that all the inner and outer edges are smooth. Wait about 15 minutes for grout to set.
3. Begin to brush away the excess grout using a soft sponge or scrubby. It is very important to remove any grout on the glass before grout is completely dry.
4. Using the soft side of the dry scrubby, buff the glass to a clean shine. Allow at least 24 hours for the grout to dry thoroughly.