

# Autumn Leaf Marbling



## You will need:

- A can of shaving foam
- A shallow plate or tray
- Paint in autumnal colours
- A piece of stiff card
- Gold glitter (optional)
- Paintbrushes
- Cartridge or art paper
- Scissors



## Instructions

1. Begin by observing what happens to leaves in the autumn and talk about the changing colours.
2. Spray a thick layer of shaving foam into a shallow tray or plate and spread it out.
3. Squeeze your paint over the top and mix it with a paintbrush to create a marbled effect.
4. If you wish, sprinkle gold glitter over the top.
5. Take a piece of paper and lay it over the top of the shaving foam, quickly lifting it off again.
6. Use the stiff card to scrape the excess shaving foam off the paper.
7. Leave to dry. While you are waiting, it's great to use hands to mix and squidge the leftover shaving foam!
8. Cut out leaf shapes and display them. You could stick them onto the wall, or attach them to a ring of cardboard to make an autumn wreath.

## Hints and Tips

- Ask your child to choose the colours of paint based on what they have observed about autumn leaves.
- It is important not to skip the 'scraping' step or your paper will become too wet and won't dry properly.
- As well as being fun to play with, the leftover foam is a great medium for practising writing letters and making marks.