

## Avocado skin natural ink/dye art project

(You can use the avocado pit too for ink making but for this project I only used the skin)

### The Ink Making



1. Enjoy eating a lovely ripe avocado. When finish, clean the skin and let it dry.



2. Use the skin when it has dried (mine were left for a few days but it doesn't have to).



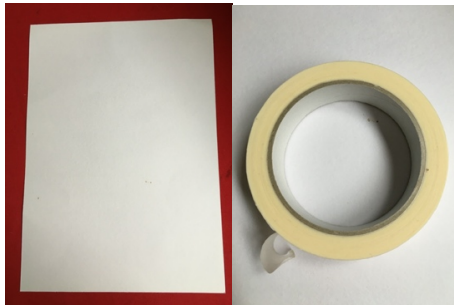
3. Place the avocado dried skins in a pan with water and boil it for at least 20mins.  
The water will turn a beautiful pink.



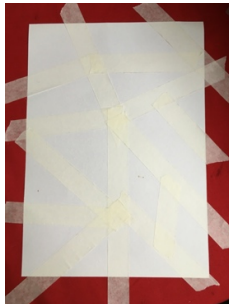
4. When happy with the colour, sieve it into a container (I used an empty jam jar).

**When it has cool down, the ink is now ready!**

## The Art Project



1. Main material: White card (thin paper might rip with the natural ink) and masking tape.



2. Criss cross the card with the masking tape making patterns and shapes.



3. Use a paint brush to spread the ink/dye (sponge can be use too).



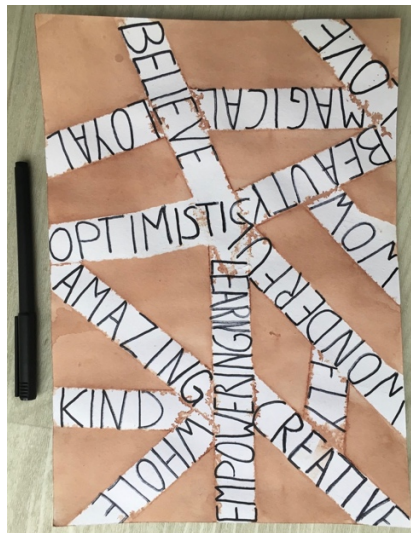
4. Cover the whole card and let it dry briefly (don't worry about going on the masking tape).



5. Add other coats of ink/dye until happy with the colour and let it dry completely (I did two coats of avocado skin ink/dye for mine)



6. When dry, gently peel off the masking tape and here is a beautiful artwork.



7. If you want to add something, you could fill the white lines with words important to you.  
Or draw anything you would like in the lines or on the pink shapes.  
Experiment and enjoy!

**I hope you will love making your own natural ink/dye and create a beautiful personal artwork with it.**