

ATTENTION TO DETAIL

Dürer has drawn his hare in great detail, looking carefully at the fur, eyes, ears, and nose. You can make a print of your own pet using Dürer's hare to help you. Try to put in as many details as you can.

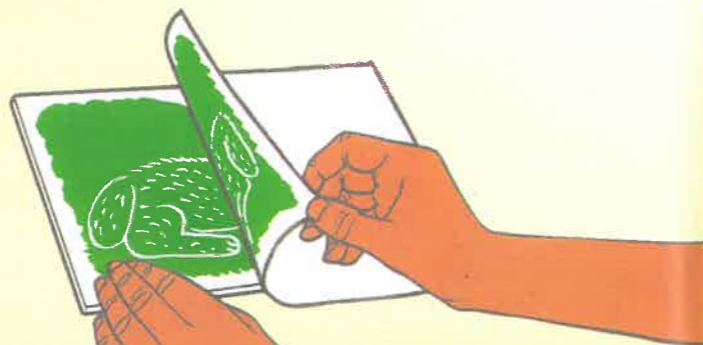
WHAT YOU NEED
Paint • Pencil
Orange Stick
Printing Block
Clay / Play Dough
Paper

PROJECT: ANIMAL PRINT

Step 1. Make a sketch of your pet using a pencil and paper. Put in as many small details as you can. Look carefully at the fur, face, and tail.

Step 2. Use a sharp pencil or orange stick to draw your pet onto a printing block. You can use flattened-out clay or play dough instead.

Step 3. Cover the printing block with paint. Try out the print on a scrap of paper first. Press it firmly down onto the paper and rub over the back of it. Pull it away carefully. When you are pleased with it you can print onto your best paper.



GALLERY

Young Hare 1502
ALBRECHT DÜRER (1471 – 1528)



DETAIL
A very fine brush was used to put in all the small details. You can see almost every hair and whisker on the hare.



FEATURES
Can you see how realistic this hare is? The nails look very sharp, the eyes bright, and the ears listening.



PAINTING
Dürer usually made prints. He probably did this painting in his spare time for pleasure.



MOVEMENT
Although the hare is sitting still, Dürer has made it look very alert, as if it will leap off at any minute.

Albrecht Dürer was born in Germany and trained to be a goldsmith with his father. He soon got bored and went off traveling. In Italy, he found he enjoyed drawing, printing, and painting, and he quickly became famous for his book illustrations. He loved showing every small detail in his work. He did this with his prints as well as his paintings.