

Viking Longship



You will need:

- Viking Longship Templates
- Cardboard
- **Scissors**
- Masking tape
- A4 white paper
- Brown paint
- Paintbrush
- Brown paper straws
- Hole punch
- Brown card
- Felt-tip pens, including black



Scissors: You may need an adult's help.

Top Tip: You could use one hand to cut and one hand to hold each material.



1. Carefully, cut around the outline of the Viking Longship template.



2. Place the longship template onto a piece of cardboard. Use a felt-tip pen to draw round the outline.

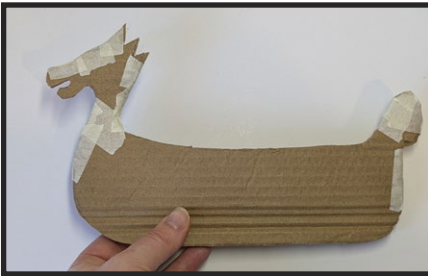


3. Place the template onto a second piece of cardboard and draw round the outline again, creating a second copy.





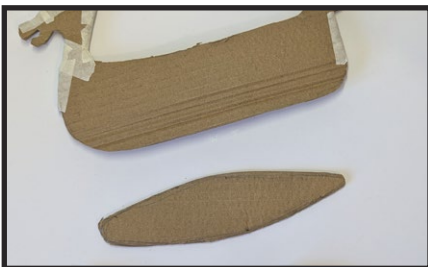
4. Carefully cut around the two drawn outlines, making two copies of the longship sides from cardboard.



5. Place the bottom edges of the two cardboard longship pieces together. Use a piece of masking tape to secure the two heads together and the two tails together.



6. Open up the two sides of the longship and place them on top of another piece of cardboard. Use the felt-tip pen to draw round the inside of the longship.



7. Carefully cut around the outline, creating a cardboard base for the longship.



8. Place the open longship back on top of the cardboard base and use pieces of masking tape to secure the sides to the base.



9. Coat the outside of the Viking longship with brown paint. Leave it to dry.

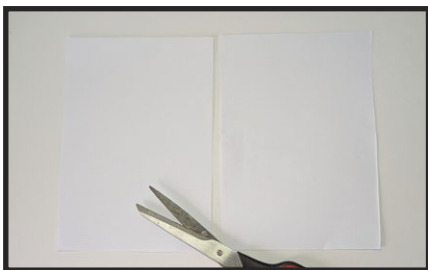




10. Let's make the mast and sail. Cut three lines into one end of a paper straw. Fold back the three sections to make a stand for the mast.



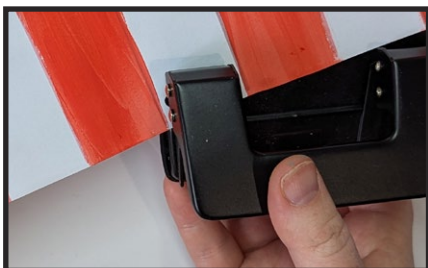
11. Place the paper straw's stand in the middle of the longship's base. Secure it in place with masking tape.



12. Fold the A4 paper in half. Cut along the fold line, creating two halves of the paper. Keep one half. This is your longship's sail.



13. Decorate your longship's sail.



14. Use the hole punch to create a hole in the middle of each of the two long sides of the sail.



15. Place the hole at the bottom of the sail over the mast. Gently push the sail down to the bottom of the mast. Place a small piece of masking tape behind the punched hole, securing the sail to the mast.





16. Place the hole at the top of the sail over the mast. Push the sail down slightly, making a curve. Place a small piece of masking tape behind the punched hole, securing the sail to the top of the mast.



17. Use the black felt tip pen to add details onto the sides, head and tail of the longship.



18. Use a hole punch to three to four holes down each side of the ship. Thread a paper straw through each hole - one end of each straw should be level with the base of the ship.



19. From the brown card, cut out six to eight rectangles around 5cm (one for each oar). Cut two corners off a short edge of each rectangle. These are your oar's blades. Glue the rectangles onto the ends of each oar.
Your Viking Longship is now complete!



Why Not?

Why not make some small shields to complete your Viking Longship? You could use felt or fabric to make your longship's sail. Felt is sturdy and will hold its shape; fabric is soft and will billow in a breeze.



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