

BEAUTIFUL CRAYON ART

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Materials:

- Crayons (Crayola work well)
- Paper
- Optional: Picture frame, any size

Instructions:

1. If using a picture frame, trim your paper to fit inside the frame.
2. Dive in! Select the crayon color for your first flower and begin drawing the petals on a lower region of your paper.
3. Now that you have a base color down for the petals, let's define them by selecting a slightly darker shade of the crayon color. For example, if your first color was orange, then use an orange red crayon. Apply the color to the base of the petals.

4. You now have a flower! Let's draw the rest of this plant. Many flowers grow in bunches so draw a few more flowers close to, but not touching the first flower using steps 2 to 3. And make sure to include some buds.
5. It's time to give your flower plant stems and leaves. Using a green crayon, draw a stem from one of the flowers down, in a slightly curvy line, toward the bottom of your paper. Connect the other flowers to the stem you just drew. Then add leaves sprouting from the stems, especially near the bottom of the plant. Use a darker green crayon to go over some of the stems and leaves. Your first flower is complete.
6. Continue adding other flower plants until your page looks full. For each new plant, pick colors and shapes that are different from the other flowers you've drawn. Each plant could also have different leaf and stem shapes.
7. Once your natural flower scape is complete, finish your artwork by adding bugs and critters in remaining white spaces. Bees, caterpillars, centipedes, worms can all help to add life to the drawing.
8. Admire the beautiful drawing you created. Write a message on the back for a handmade greeting card. Or, frame the drawing to decorate your room. It also makes for a great gift, so surprise a loved one by sending your art in the mail!



