

How to Press Flowers & Create Handmade Greeting Cards



Making homemade cards with personal notes to a friend or family member may cheer them up.

Supplies:

Large, flat objects (dictionary, textbooks, cardboard etc)

Some type of heavy weight object (rock, box etc)

Paper (either newspaper, printer paper etc)

Plants found in your backyard (something on the thin side)

Scissors to cut the plants

Clear drying glue



How to Press:

- All you need to do is place the plants of your choice in between two pieces of paper
- Place them inside the books
- Place a heavy weight on top of the books and leave for 1 to 2 weeks
- After a week or two they should be completely dry
- To test the dryness of the plant, test a small piece with your fingernail if it breaks apart easily it is dry, if it is bendy it is not yet there.

Make your Greeting Card:

- Arrange the plants onto your greeting card to get an idea of a layout, place them on work surface
- Spread glue gently over your pressed plants then transfer them onto your greeting card
- Let the cards dry overnight, write a nice note inside and mail them out to your friends or family!

