

HAND-PRINT OWLS

Materials (Version 1):

- Construction paper
- Paint
- Markers

Materials (Version 2):

- Cardstock or construction paper
- Newspaper (or sticks/small branches)
- Brown Paint
- Feathers
- Black marker
- Glue

What to Do (version 1):

- Use a foam brush or paper towel to cover your owl's body. Make sure the hand is completely covered and that the paint is even. Stamp the hand firmly on the paper. Lift straight up when removing the hand. Wash the paint off.
- While the paint dries, decide where to place the owl's eyes, beak, wings, feet, and tail. Typically the spread fingers will be the owl's tail.
- When the handprint is dry enough, start adding in scenery. If you want your owl to sit in a tree, paint a tree branch horizontally across the canvas so that the palm of the hand is above it and the fingers extend below. Add the trunk of the tree off to one side.
- Paint on your owl's eyes, beak, and feet.

What to Do (version 2):

- Trace your handprints and cut them out.
- Cut out 2 white eyes (use a black marker to make the pupil), a small beak (cut a small triangle, and 2 small triangles for the owl's "ears". Glue the onto your owl—make sure your fingers are facing down to make the owl's wings and tail.
- Glue feathers on the pinkie and thumb.
- To make the tree - you can use rolled up newspaper that's been painted brown and glued onto a piece of cardstock. You would make the branches using rolled up newspaper too. Or, you can use a stick or small branch to glue your hand-print owl to.

