

Creating a Pinch Pot Monster

In your box are 2 balls of clay, 3 tools, and bubble wrap.

1. Take out your clay and tools and follow along with images on website:

www.mightymud.com/monsters

2. Start with one ball of clay by pushing your thumb right in the middle and push through leaving about 1/2" of clay on the bottom. Then you will start pinching the clay between your thumb and fingers making a pot shape, making sure the clay is around 1/4" thick all around. Too thick will take longer to dry and too thin will not hold added pieces and/or crack.
3. After making your pinch pot, let it set up while you make eyes, tongue, tail, horns, or whatever your monster needs, with the second ball of clay to embellish your monster. It is easier to add any detail to each of these additions BEFORE attaching to your pinch pot. Different tools make different textures (see pics on website). If your monster starts to sag, add crumpled up paper to prop mouth open until it has hardened some. Keep in mind that small, thin additions are likely to break off.
4. There are three steps to add your pieces to your pinch pot.
 - a. Scratch it to attach it by using pointed wooden tool
 - b. Water added by just your finger to the scratched areas, then push and twist (not too much water)
 - c. Blend it to mend it. Use the wooden tool to pull down the clay so pieces will stay.
5. Once you've finished, carefully wrap it in the bubble wrap. Then put it back in the box that it came in, you may put some newspaper or plastic bags around it so it won't move around. Before returning it to Mighty Mud, make sure you write your name, phone number, and color choice on the front of the box.

If you've chosen "No Color" you can paint it at home using acrylics, watercolors, or spray paint.

We will fire your clay in a bisque kiln, glaze it and place it in another kiln, and give you a call when your project is ready for pick-up!

Pick-up and drop-off hours: Tuesday - Friday 11am-6pm, Saturday 9am-5pm

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6. Have Fun!!!

Follow these Links for helpful hints and instructions:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfFZd2HwmNM>

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