

# Creating a Slab Wall Pocket

In your box you have a knife, approx. 1.5 lb and 3/4 lb balls of clay , a heavy duty toothpick, rolling pin, pasta noodles, straw and bubble wrap.

1. Take out your clay and tools and follow along with images on website: [www.mightymud.com/pocket](http://www.mightymud.com/pocket) or watch the video at [https://youtu.be/ZnmpM1A\\_HQo](https://youtu.be/ZnmpM1A_HQo)
2. Start with the **larger** ball of clay, flatten with your fist
3. Begin rolling out using all the clay in the shape you want to make, making sure clay is around 1/4" to 1/2" thick. Here is where you can be creative in the shape of the wall pocket. A circle, rectangle or wavy.
4. Sketch out the shape you want your pocket using the heavy-duty toothpick. Then cut out using the knife. Let sit and firm up while starting the next piece.
5. Take the **smaller** ball of clay, flatten with your fist. Begin rolling out using all the clay to be about half the size of the first piece making sure clay is at least 1/4" to 1/2" thick.
6. Place first piece on top of smaller piece and cut out around bottom. Remove top piece and cut across top of small piece to make a nice edge.
7. The bowtie pasta can be pushed in with your finger to make a butterfly.
8. The penne pasta can be used to make flower petals or leaves.
9. The rotini noodles will make lines or sunrays.

10. The egg noodles make an S shape. The wagon wheels and rigatoni can make flowers centers or a nice border.
11. Use your straw to make two holes to hang your wall pocket.
12. Using the heavy-duty toothpick scratch the bottom of the large piece and the smaller piece. Add water with your finger to the scratch parts and attach together.
13. Use some folded-up paper to place in the middle of larger piece to give the pocket form.
14. Once together use your finger to smooth the two pieces together around the edges.
15. Final example of our wall pocket, be sure to watch the video for the other one.
16. 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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17. Have Fun!!!

Video and image links again:

