

# RESIN TILE PROJECT



**YOU'LL NEED:** 1 x unglazed ceramic tile, 1 x serviette, Kraftex Decopodge, Kraftex Pratliglo Resin, mixing container, mixing stick, 1 x foam brush and a square of sponge sandpaper.



**STEP ONE:** Pull apart the layers of your serviette, so you only have the top layer (most serviettes have three layers).



**STEP TWO:** If you are using a light coloured serviette, it is best if you paint your tile with acrylic paint first in a light colour such as white or cream, otherwise you'll find that your serviette image will lose its depth and not stand out as much. Using your foam brush, coat your ceramic tile with a thin layer of Decopodge.



**STEP THREE:** Carefully place the top layer of the serviette on to the ceramic tile. Make sure that the design is centred and straight and that there are no wrinkles. Use your finger tips and/or a small roller to remove any bubbles or wrinkles. Be very careful that the serviette doesn't stick to your fingers.



**STEP FOUR:** Dry. This can be done naturally or you can speed it up by using a hairdryer.



**STEP FIVE:** Take off the excess serviette from the edge of the tile using sponge sandpaper and a downward motion. Be careful not to tear the design.



**STEP SIX:** Apply up to 5 more coats of the Decopodge, drying in between each layer. Sand the surface if you wish to make it completely smooth.



**STEP SEVEN:** Pour EQUAL quantities of Praliglo in to a measuring cup. Stir vigorously with an ice cream stick for approximately 5 minutes. It will appear cloudy and full of small bubbles.



**STEP EIGHT:** Slowly pour the mixed Praliglo on to the tile. Start with a small pour in the centre of the tile – about the size of an old 50 cent piece. Be careful not to over pour or it will run over the edges.



**STEP NINE:** Use the ice cream stick to draw the resin out towards the edges leaving about a 1cm gap to the edge. Then draw the resin out further towards the edge and make sure you get it as close as possible to the edge. If you need to pour a little extra resin, do so at this stage but pour it in to the middle and draw it out.



**STEP TEN:** Check for bubbles on the surface. If you have any, pop them with a pin or carefully breathe out using the breath from the back of your throat – do not blow the resin or it could cause it to run. The heat from your breath will cause the bubbles to rise to the surface and pop.

Dry in a warm, dust free environment for at least 24 hours and after 72 hours your resin will be completely dry.

Pratliglo is a self levelling resin. It will not be affected by the heat from hot cups if the tile is being used as a coaster.