

How to Make your Castle

Collect empty boxes, plastic bottles, tubes and containers. Make sure the adult in your house is happy with what you are using.

Arrange them to make the castle shape you want. I have used some drinking chocolate and gravy cylinders, a washing conditioner bottle, a box, toilet and kitchen roll middles and parts of an egg box. You can use what you like and make the castle shape you want.

Tape them securely together using masking tape. Masking tape works better than sticky tape because you can glue onto the surface. It doesn't matter how your boxes and tape look because you won't see them at the end.



Use a mix of PVA glue and water (about half and half) to put on a layer of toilet roll paper mache. Apply glue to all parts of the castle, lay a piece of toilet paper on top then brush glue over the paper. Brush the glue from the middle to the edges and make sure your brush isn't too dry or the paper will rip. If it does rip just use your brush to glue the edges down. Make sure all the tissue is covered with the glue mix so that it dries hard and you can paint on it. You can add a second layer once the first is dry if you want to.

Once the glue is dry your castle is sturdy enough to paint on. You could add extra features like doors, windows and even ivy if you want to.

