



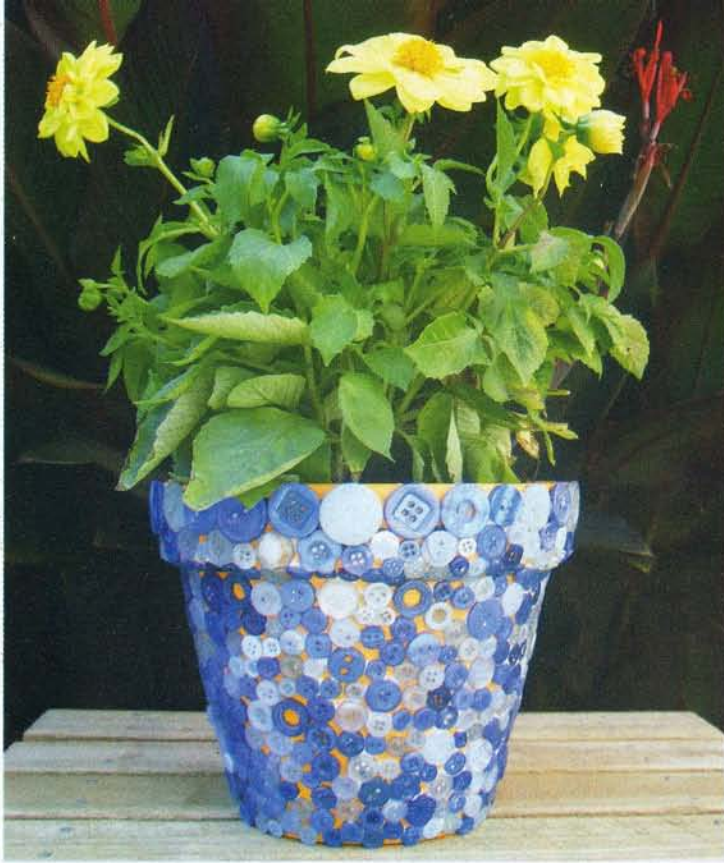
Button bright

Mark Rayner adds pizzazz to a pot with paint and buttons.

You will need:

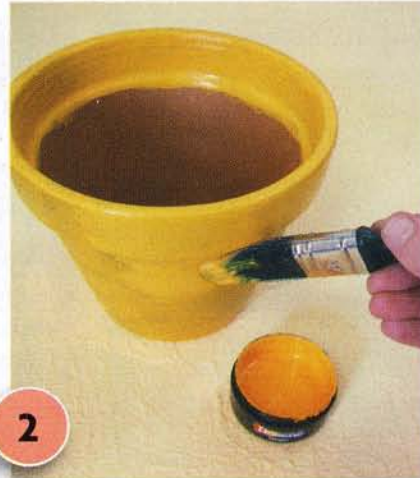
- Piece of plastic cling film
- Terracotta pot
- Buttons – new or used
- Paintbrushes and a soft-bristled artists brush
- PVA glue (exterior)
- Resene Terracotta Sealer
- Resene Sun Defier acrylic UV protective glaze
- Testpot of Resene West Side
- Good quality potting mix
- Potted colour

Top tip: Packets of assorted buttons are available in most craft shops (our blue ones came from Spotlight).



1

Apply one coat of Resene Terracotta Sealer to the inside and outside of the terracotta pot and allow to dry for six hours.



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Apply two coats of Resene West Side to the outside and inner rim of the pot, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



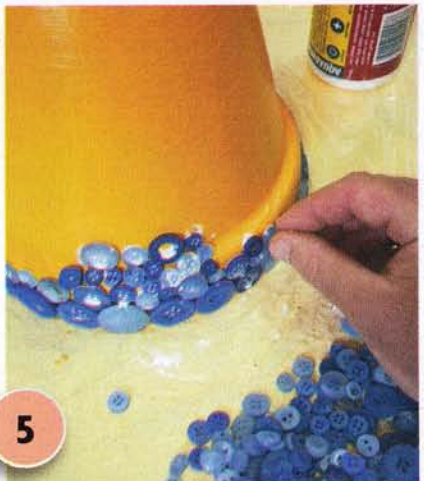
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Place the pot upside down on a piece of cling film, as shown (this will prevent any glue from sticking to the work surface).



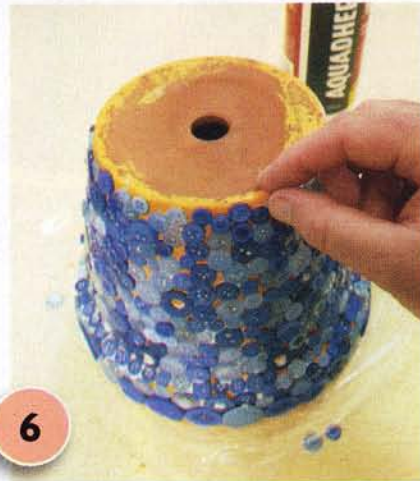
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Glue a row of larger buttons around the rim of the upturned pot, as shown, fixing with PVA glue.



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Apply a second row of buttons, as shown, gradually building up the decoration around the rim of the pot.



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Continue applying the buttons until the outside of the pot is completely covered. Leave overnight for the PVA to dry thoroughly.



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With the artists brush, apply a generous coat of Resene Sun Defier (to help prevent UV fading) to the pot's outside, inner rim and all buttons, working the glaze into all the gaps.



8

When the Sun Defier is thoroughly dry, apply a second coat and let that dry before planting some seasonal colour in the pot.