

"Garden Goodness" - Stepping/Garden Stones

Materials Needed:

- Fast Setting Concrete (50 lb. bag will do approximately 10-12 stones, depending on size)
- Bucket for mixing concrete
- Large paint stirring stick
- Cooking spray/petroleum jelly
- Garden Stone Form*
- Safety glasses
- Gloves

*Garden Stone Form Options: Aluminum pans, plastic plant saucer/tray, metal cake pans

<u>Decorative Item Options:</u>
Shells, Marbles, Sea glass, Sticks,
Glass Gems, Decorative gravel

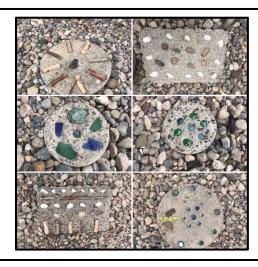




Grade Level: K - 12th

Project Time: 1 - 2 hours,

plus drying time



How this helps Maumee Valley Habitat for Humanity:

"Garden Goodness" stepping/garden stones will be donated to Future Homeowners, placed in community gardens in Lucas County and/or sold in our ReStore.

Instructions:

- 1. Cover table with newspaper. Lay out decorative items.
- 2. Spray (or use petroleum jelly) bottom and sides of your chosen garden stone form.
- 3. Mix concrete as instructed.
- 4. Pour concrete into garden stone form.
- 5. Smooth concrete with paint stirring stick or lightly shake form to remove air bubbles.
- 6. Decorate Be Creative! You can use round or rectangular items to press "patterns" into wet concrete.
- 7. Let concrete dry overnight
- 8. Remove from garden stone form
- 9. Place garden stone in your landscaping/garden and enjoy!
 Don't forget to donate a few of your garden stones to Maumee Valley Habitat for Humanity!

