



## Create a **Collection** of **TREASURES**

After spending time in our exhibit *Treasures from the Collection*, we hope you discovered some of our favorite artworks. Creating a collection requires grouping similar objects together. These objects can range from paintings in a museum to special rocks and leaves found outside.

Today you will have the opportunity to create a display to show off your special objects to friends and family! By dividing a cardboard box into different sized compartments, you will have a place to perfectly fit the many items of your personal collection!

Materials Included in the Kit:

- Box with plastic cover
- Cardboard Strips
- Paint pots
- Paint brush

Materials Needed:

- Tape
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Collected objects



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a. Begin by cutting at least one strip to 7 1/2 inches. Using tape, secure this strip to the bottom and sides of the box. This divides the box in half horizontally to help make smaller compartments later on.



b. A second option is to cut at least one strip to 5 1/2 inches, dividing the box in half vertically.

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Cut other cardboard pieces to fit in between the middle cardboard divider and the edge of the box. Tape these down just like in step 1. You can decide how far apart to spread these dividers and customize the box to your liking!



a. If you went with option a. you will cut the cardboard down to 2 3/4 inches or slightly less.

b. If you went with option b. you will cut the cardboard down to 3 3/4 inches or slightly less.

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Once the cardboard strips are secured and your box is divided, it's time to decorate! Using the paint included in the kit, create shapes, patterns, or any desired designs on the box. You could even paint examples of your collected objects. Hint: Don't paint the lid if you would like your collection to be visible.



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Now fill your box with your collections! Either place objects you already have collected or go outside and find new treasures! Look around, find unique-shaped rocks or maybe different colored leaves. What's important is that you collect something that is both fascinating and can be grouped together.



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Show off your collection of treasures to friends or family. Explain why you grouped certain objects together and why they are worthy to be placed in your special display box!

