

CREATE YOUR OWN Mango Masterpiece!

As one of the world's most popular fruits, mangos are a favorite snack for kids of all ages. Mangos aren't only nutritious and delicious to eat; they can also be used for fun, creative classroom projects.

Below are instructions for a "Mango Masterpiece" activity that allows your students to design their own mango character. Students may want to base their design on popular storybook characters, athletes, historical figures, animals, or even do a self-portrait.

For more classroom fun with mangos, the accompanying poster, *Come on and Fandango with a Mango*, is an excellent resource for teaching your students about countries like Brazil and Mexico.



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WHAT YOU NEED:

- A variety of mangos in different colors, shapes & sizes
- Paint or Markers
- Glue sticks
- Construction paper or felt
- Scissors
- Pipe cleaners
- Glitter
- Foam cup koozies as a base
- Other craft items

WHAT TO DO:

1. Have students wash their hands thoroughly before and after handling the mangos.
2. Pass around mangos and have each student pick one to decorate.
3. Give students a variety of supplies to decorate their mangos. They can draw or paste on "eyes," "hair," or other accessories to bring their mangos to life.
4. Have students name their mangos and present their creation to the class. Take pictures to post on the Web or show to your friends and family.



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