

No-cook playdough recipe

You will need:

- 8 tbsp plain flour
- 2 tbsp table salt
- 60ml warm water
- food colouring
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil

Method:

1. Mix the flour and salt in a large bowl. In a separate bowl mix together the water, a few drops of food colouring and the oil.
2. Pour the coloured water into the flour mix and bring together with a spoon.
3. Dust a work surface with a little flour and turn out the dough. Knead together for a few minutes to form a smooth, pliable dough. If you want a more intense colour you can work in a few extra drops of food colouring.
4. Store in a plastic sandwich bag (squeeze out the air) in the fridge to keep it fresh.

Soft-as-Clouds playdough recipe

You will need:

- 1 part conditioner
- 2 parts corn flour/corn starch
- Food colouring (optional)

Method:

Pour your conditioner into a bowl (we used a home brand conditioner – note that not all conditioners are of the same consistency so you may need to add a little more or a little less corn flour to get the right consistency for you)

Pour in the corn flour and give the mixture a good stir

Add a few drops of food colouring (optional)

Mix well using your hands. This part smells delicious!

That's it! Have FUN moulding, squishing, shaping and playing with your new Playdough!

Home cooked playdough recipe

You will need:

- 1 cup flour
- 2 teaspoons cream of tartar
- 1/3 (1 third) cup of salt
- 1 cup water
- 1 tbsp veg oil
- Food colouring

Method:

Put the flour, cream of tartar and salt in a medium saucepan (the salt keeps it from sticking and also helps preserve it). Add the water and vegetable oil.

Turn your burner on medium/low and stir. It will be a little lumpy and that's fine.

Before it starts getting thick (this is going to happen fast, so be ready) you want to add whatever food colouring you want and stir. (If it gets too thick before you add it, it's hard to get an even colour.)

Keep stirring, it is going to start thickening up. This could take anywhere from 30 seconds-2 minutes depending on how hot your pan/stove is.

Now you can see it's getting thicker, keep stirring, and keep scraping the bottom of the pan.

Once you notice the dough isn't wet anymore, take it out of the pan.

Put the dough on some wax paper and allow to cool (30 minutes or so). Then take the ball in your hands and knead for a few seconds (like 30 seconds). Store in a zip-lock bag or airtight container **IN THE FRIDGE**. It shouldn't dry out, but if you notice it getting a bit dry you can add a few drops of water and knead that into the dough. You can also add a drop or 2 of scented essential oil to make the playdough smell great!