

Personalised plate

Make a feature of your house number with **Mark Rayner's** step-by-step instructions.



You will need

- Large round terracotta plant saucer
- Paintbrushes (including medium and fine artists' brushes)
- Construction glue
- Plastic or coated-metal house number
- Small piece of galvanised wire
- Resene Terracotta sealer
- Resene Smooth surface sealer
- Resene Testpots of Resene Half Pearl Lusta, Resene Bright Red, Resene Nero, Resene Super Duper, Resene Space Cadet and Resene Trinidad
- Resene Sun Defier acrylic UV protective glaze
- Selloys multi-purpose Knead-IT®
- Sandpaper, latex gloves and a pencil

All our construction materials came from Mitre 10 Mega and all paint products and brushes from Resene Colorshop.



1

Mix two small balls of Knead-IT®, following label instructions. Press them down on the inside of the terracotta saucer, as shown. Bend the piece of wire and firmly embed it into the Knead-IT® pieces to form a hanging device. Allow the Knead-IT® to cure.



2

Apply one coat of Terracotta Sealer to the inside and outside of the saucer and allow to dry.



3

Draw a butterfly shape on the outside of the saucer and then fill in the butterfly shape using flattened balls of Knead-IT®. Work on the butterfly in sections (one wing at a time) as the Knead-IT® will firm up pretty quickly.



4

Glue the house number onto the saucer with construction glue. Once the glue has dried, lightly sand the house number and butterfly shape and apply one coat of Resene Smooth Surface sealer to both. Allow this to dry.



5

Paint the background with two coats of Resene Super Duper and the rim of the saucer with two coats of Resene Space Cadet, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



6

Paint the wings of the butterfly with two coats of Resene Trinidad. Paint the number with two coats of Resene Bright Red allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



7

Paint the main markings on the wings with two coats of Resene Nero. Give it two hours to dry. Then paint the outer light markings with Resene Half Pearl Lusta.



8

When the Half Pearl Lusta is dry, apply one coat of Resene Sun Defier to the finished house plaque. Give this two hours to dry before hanging your handiwork.