

# Microwave Playdough

## You will need

- 1 cup plain flour
- 1 tbsp. oil
- 1 cup water
- ½ cup salt
- 2 tbsp. cream of tartar
- Food colouring



1. Pour all dry ingredients, flour, salt and cream of tartar together into a microwave heat proof container, casserole dish or bowl.
2. Add water and oil to dry ingredients. Add food colouring until desired colour is achieved.
3. Mix together using a whisk to remove lumps and blend the ingredients well.
4. Cover and place in the microwave for 2 minutes on high.
5. Remove from microwave and stir with a wooden spoon.
6. Place in the microwave for 1 min, remove and stir to combine. Cook for a further minute if the play dough is still runny.
7. Then turn out onto a clean surface and knead into a smooth ball. Be careful the play dough will be very hot! Use a little bit of flour if the play dough is sticky.
8. Allow the play dough to cool before playing with it.
9. Store in a plastic zip lock bag or air tight container.

Please note: the microwave times mentioned may vary depending on different microwave types and settings.

## Enhanced play

There are lots of different ways to make your playdough more exciting.

Try adding some dried herbs a great way for adding texture and scent to homemade play dough. This heightens the sensory play experience.

Other scents and textures you can add, All Spice, Lavender, Tea leaves



Playdough is a great way to improve fine motor skills, using scissors to cut, rolling pins to roll, squashing and squeezing. It is also great fun!