

# Make an African Drum

Kwanzaa derives from the Swahili phrase *matunda ya kwanza*, meaning "first fruits of the harvest" and is often celebrated with traditional African music, with the rhythm provided by African drums. Here is a craft idea for making your own.

## Design your own drum!

### You will need:

- ❖ A terracotta plant pot
- ❖ Acrylic paints in red, green, and black
- ❖ A Sheet of paper
- ❖ An Elastic band



**Caution:** Adult supervision will be required when making your craft. Small parts can be a choking hazard. Do not leave children unattended during project.

### Instructions:

Step 1: Choose a design and paint your terracotta pot in the Kwanzaa colours - red, green, and black

Step 2: Leave your pot to dry completely.

Step 3: Once dry take a piece of paper that is larger than the top of your pot. Cut a circle out of the paper large enough to cover the top and hang over the sides.

Step 4: Place your elastic band around the top of the pot to hold the paper in place.

Step 5: Play away!