

Aztec Inspired Art (with DT elements)

Sequence of Lessons:

- Aztec patterns- colours and geometric prints
- Sun Gods- sketching
- Sun Gods- Embroidery
- Market Research- chocolate bar wrappers
- Design and make my own chocolate bar

Aztec Art 101

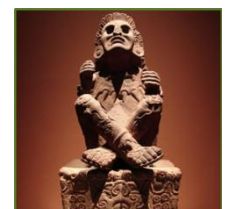
The Aztecs made art mostly because they thought that it would please the gods and bring good fortune.

Aztec art used metaphors.

Inspired by birds such as macaws and quetzal, craftsmen used feathers to make headdresses, pictures and decorated shields. Skilled workers wove brightly coloured feathers together to create beautiful cloaks and headdresses. Only the king and the nobles could wear them.

Stone carvings decorated the walls of the temples. The Aztecs carved small details and patterns as well as huge statues of the gods. Female statues were shown kneeling with their hands on knees. Male statues were sat cross-legged.

The Aztecs took great pride in their ability to create beautiful pottery. Other nations were keen to trade for Aztec pots. The finest pottery was kept for ritual use and belonged to the wealthy. Geometric patterns were a feature on bowls.



Sticky learning

New Knowledge

- Know how to use sketchbooks for a variety of purposes including recording observations, developing ideas, testing materials, planning and recording information
- Know the names of tools, techniques and formal elements
- Know and talk about the materials, techniques and processes they have used, using an appropriate vocabulary.
- Know how to safely use some of the tools and techniques they have chosen to work with

New Skills

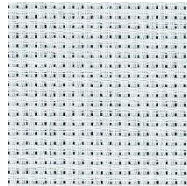
- Practice some key drawing exercises and drawing techniques
- select appropriate media and techniques to achieve a specific outcome
- Be able to hand sew different types of stitches
- to sketch complicated geometric and symmetrical patterns

Inspiration



Materials/tools

Binca



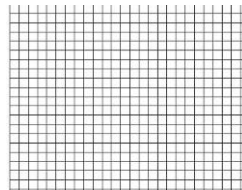
Needle



Thread



Squared paper



Vocabulary

Geometric

Embroidery

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Needle

Thread

Patterns

Symmetry

Aztecs

Hieroglyphs

Market research

Colours

Symbolism