



Make a Headdress

The Maya were famous for their beautiful and decorated feather headdresses. You can make your own using real feather or feathers made from card.

To make your Maya headdress you will need:

- White and coloured card.
- Scissors
- Glue
- Crayons and coloured pencils.
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How to make your headdress

1. Cut a strip of white card 4cm in width for your headband. It should also be long enough to wrap around your head with a little extra overlap to glue the ends together.
2. Decorate the headband. Use crayons, or coloured pencils.
3. Glue the ends of the headband together. Make sure it still fits around your head.
4. Copy the feather outline onto card. Cut out and fold the feather outline in half lengthwise. Cut slits along the lines. Make sure that the slits do not cross each other or cut through the straight, folded edge. The slits should extend from top to bottom. Unfold the feather outline.
5. Make more feathers using different coloured card.
6. Glue your feathers to the inside of your headband and let it dry.
7. One feather can stand straight up, but the other two should fan out slightly.



Feather outlines

