

Coil Pots

Coil pots were common among the Southwestern Indigenous Tribes.

Most of the oldest coil pots that have been recovered were made by three different pre-Columbian tribes/cultures - the Anasazi (ancestors to the Pueblo people), the Mogollon, and the Hohokam.

Materials: Modeling Magic/Polymer Clay/Modeling Clay, tools to roll and cut the clay, foil

Instructions:

1. Knead the clay and get it warmed up to work with.
2. Roll a large piece of the clay (about 1x3 inches) into a ball and flatten it to make the base of the pot. Set aside.
3. Knead and roll a large piece of clay horizontally to begin making the coils. Roll it out until there is a long strand of clay.
4. Wrap the long strand of clay around the base in layers. Use your fingers to gently press together the separate layers.

If you are using polymer clay, you can bake your design for 15 minutes at 275 degrees.

