

# How to Make Ancient Egyptian Paint Brushes

Paint palette found in a tomb.



Ancient Egyptians made paint brushes using grass, reeds and animal hair bound together around a stick. These ones were found in a tomb and are around 3,000 years old!

1. Gather materials that could be used to make a brush: string, feathers, dried grass, reeds, sticks, rope, straw, brush bristles, cloth etc.



2) Bind them together using string. Tip: pipe cleaners work well too!



3) Start painting – Ancient Egyptian style!



Painting by Anna Serotta.  
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## Materials needed:

- Dried grass, reeds, feathers, straw, rope, sticks etc
- String or pipecleaners or both.
- Scrap paper