

MAKE YOUR OWN GELATINE PLATE

Make your own Gelatine/Gelli plate and get the shape and size you want. This plate is used for creating Gouache/acrylic monotypes, Chine Colle and making decorative papers without a press. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fk3AQ08sYRc>

RECIPE

65 Grams or 7 tablespoons Powdered Gelatine

1 Cup cold water

1 Cup boiling water

½ cup Glycerine

1 Cup Isopropyl or rubbing alcohol

Baking or cake tin, make sure it has a smooth base and good corners.

Watch one being made by Robin with the recipe scroll down on the website <https://www.annieday.com.au/newsletters-notes>

- You need to be able to microwave the mixture - use a Pyrex bowl or jug to mix the gelatine with cold water, pour on the boiling water and stir well. This may take some persistence to mix evenly.
- Microwave the bowl for 1 minute, stir well and microwave an extra minute to dissolve any lumps. You may need to microwave a further minute but watch that it does not boil over, put a dish underneath just in case.
- When the mixture is completely dissolved add the glycerine & isopropyl alcohol combine well and pour into a cake or baking tin. Leave to cool, the Isopropyl alcohol smells strongly so leave in a cool place on a level surface until it is set. The setting may take up to 24 hours. Once set it can be placed in a sealed plastic bag & refrigerated. WARNING: Condensation may occur if you cover before it's completely cooled affecting the surface.

The plate can be renewed by melting in the microwave or on the cook-top and reset in the baking tin. Because the mix contains glycerine & isopropyl alcohol it has "plasticised" and does not need refrigerating but keep the plate in a ziplock sealed plastic bag in a cool place. Glycerine and Isopropyl Alcohol can be purchased in supermarkets and pharmacies. To print these plates, apply gouache or acrylic paint to the surface and place dampened paper over and rub a flat hand across the back of the paper. Wipe over with a dampened sponge to clean. How easy is that!

Watch another person make one:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AL68R8mBCY0>

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