

Do you 'dig' Archaeology? Day

Summer
Staycation
Club!

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Make a Roman Pot for your Hoard



3 Roman coin hoards were found in Darfield between 1947-1950.

This one was found in April 1950 by a workman digging a gas main trench. The hoard contained 541 coins dating between AD259-282.



You will need:

- Air drying clay
- Clay tools or a blunt dinner knife
- A pot of water
- Apron
- Tablecloth



Roll your clay into a long sausage shape rs..



Coil it around to make the base of your pot.



As you extend upwards to make the sides of the pot, score in criss-cross marks where the next layer of clay will join, moisten with water as you go.

Watch how
to make a
pot here



Blend the layers together on the outside using a blunt knife or clay tool.



Smooth over with water with your fingers.
A bowl is much easier to make than a pot so just stop adding layers when you are happy with your creation.



You can add an extra sausage of clay around the top to finish it off or how about using a clay tool or pencil to mark in a pattern?