Salt Dough Paw Prints

Supplies Needed

- A pen (to poke a hole for hanging, if desired) and a pointed instrument (chopstick, retracted mechanical pencil, nail) for writing your pet’s name in the dough.
- Decorations or embellishments (plants from your garden, paint/markers, sequins, some of your pet’s fur).
- Cookie sheet lined with foil.
- Flour, salt, and water.

Instructions

1. Mix the dough. Use equal parts flour and salt, and a half part water (example: ½ cup flour, ½ cup salt, and ¼ cup water) and knead for 30-60 seconds to combine. The amounts indicated will be enough for three to five discs.

2. Flatten the dough and press it into circles with a cup or something similar. Place the dough discs onto a foil-lined cookie sheet.
3. This is the hardest part—getting the paw print! Your pet may be skeptical. Gently bring the cookie sheet to your pet and press their paw firmly and evenly into the dough. Tell them they did a good job!

4. Before drying the discs: Add any plant material for decoration. Write your pet’s name in the dough if you wish. Poke a hole in the discs if you wish to hang them later.
5. Dry the discs completely. Place them in your oven at its lowest setting (about 200 degrees) for two to three hours.
6. Once they're dry, you can decorate them with paint, markers, or other embellishments.
7. If you made a hole earlier, string through yarn or ribbon to create an ornament you can hang.