

## Project of Passion My Native Garden.

For the project of passion 2022, I decided to try a new skill., something I had never attempted before using native plants, which I have always had a great interest and love, in a project combining gel print and photography in a concertina book.

First. To learn gel printing, by watching a lot of you tube, I made the gel print media out of gelatine alcohol and water, Then using acrylic paints and a roller called Brayer, to colour the media, using leaves from my native trees, plants and ferns to form the patterns as a template , then copy the patterns on art paper for the cover of the concertina book , which is made out of thick cardboard taped together with fabric tape.

Secondly. Purchase thick art media paper to form the concertina, the main part of the project, folding the paper the right way was a challenge, the next challenge was to gel print one side of each the panels of the concertina book.

Thirdly. Start photographing , despite wet weather and not many plants flowering, finally got enough images together, named and framed each one in Photoshop, then printed and glued the images in the concertina panels to form the concertina book,

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