Collagraphe is a type of printmaking in which a plate (or “stamp”) is made from foam or other found materials (cardboard, bubble wrap, et cetera). The plate is coated with ink or paint and pressed onto paper to create a print. The plate can be used over and over again in different colors and on different colors of paper.

It's fun to experiment!

**Tools & Materials**

- Pencil + Felt Tip Marker or Sharpie
- Cardboard or Mat Board + Foam Sheet
- Scissors + Liquid Glue
- Acrylic Paint + Foam Paintbrush
- Absorbent Paper (such as construction or printmaking paper)

**Directions**

1. Using cardboard or mat board as your backing board, cut the foam sheet to the same dimensions.
2. To plan your stamp, draw your shapes or designs on the foam with a marker or Sharpie (optional).
3. Cut out foam shapes or design.
4. Organize your foam pieces, then glue them to the backing board.
5. Once dry, use paintbrush to apply a thin layer of paint to your stamp. Avoid painting the backing board.
6. Finally, press stamp onto paper with even pressure & repeat as desired!

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