

# **CLAY BOX WITH CURVED LID**

## **MATERIALS:**

- Designs
- Patterns
- Board
- Cloth
- Plastic bag
- Clay
- Pottery tools
- Slip
- Water

## **STEPS:**

1. Design at least 3 box designs, covering at least 4 sides of the box. Ok it.
2. Make measurements. For square boxes, no smaller than 3X3" and no larger than 5X5". For rectangular boxes, no smaller than 3X4", no larger than 4X5"
3. Cut out measurements. REMEMBER, end pieces need to be ½" shorter on the sides, to allow for thickness of clay slabs.
4. Knead the clay, to get all the air pockets out.
5. Roll your clay, using the spacers for even slabs.
6. Put your pattern over the rolled out clay. Cut out measured slabs.
7. Cover your slabs; air tight, with a plastic bag. Keep them on the board, so they will not warp. Put your name on the bag.
8. Once your slabs have gotten to be LEATHER HARD, put them together, using the SCORE and SLIP method.
9. Blend or weld a coil in EACH seam. Coil should not be visible.
10. Make sure walls are straight, and even.
11. When all 6 sides are connected, lightly mark your curved lid.
12. Cut the curved lid, being careful not to collapse the sides
13. Apply coils to the inside of the lid, and blend.
14. Carve or add your designs with a wooden knife, loop tool, or pencil.
15. Add name and period to the bottom of your box.