

# How to make a Josef Herman Mini Memory Suitcase

Josef Herman travelled from city to city throughout his life, producing beautiful paintings and drawings wherever he went.

Lots of his work focuses on memories, of places he went, people he met and stories he heard. Now you can make an artist's suitcase of your own, to remember people, places and special memories!



## You will need:

- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Brown tissue paper
- A piece of string
- A printout of the suitcase net
- Sticky label printout
- Felt tips/coloured crayons

- 1) Cut along all of the dotted lines on the cardboard net.
- 2) Spread a thin layer of glue stick over the entire net, and carefully place one layer of brown tissue paper onto it. Don't worry if it crinkles, this will add to the old leathery look of the suitcase!
- 3) Make folds along all of the black lines. You might like to use a ruler underneath, to help keep the folds straight.
- 4) Where you can see the two 'x's, cut small holes - this is where the suitcase handle will be attached. Knot the end of a short piece of string and pull it through. Then push it through the other hole and knot. The two knots should be on the inside, making a small handle with the string!
- 5) Apply pritt stick to the areas labelled "glue" and stick under the flaps.

**Now your suitcase has been constructed, you can add accessories, such as travel stickers, silver corners and most importantly, start filling it with memories!**

## Did you know...

Herman was a very resourceful artist, at times creating paint-brushes from his own hair, and securing himself a "studio" in an internment camp, by managing to get placed in isolation!

