

CLAY CLUB!



Clay Club is our four session introductory course to handbuilding with clay. Our Clay Clubs for children and adults are usually on Mondays—for adults at 1.15pm and for children/young people at 4.15pm. There are many other options for individuals if Monday is not possible, and if a group wants to do a four-week course we'd be happy to discuss alternative times—just phone us!

Clay Club requires a four-week commitment because handbuilding something from clay, and completing the glazing process, takes a few weeks.

Clay Club always follows the same format:

- Week one—make two things
- Week two—make one more thing and tidy last week's creations
- Week three—more tidying, and start glazing
- Week four—complete glazing

Each session is expected to last 60 minutes (although we can have 90 minutes if needed).

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As well as going home with some great pieces of pottery the aim of Clay Club is to teach you the basics of hand-building with clay. Each session will start with a five minute tutorial explaining the techniques needed for each item to be made, and then Lydia and Anne will guide you through the process each week.

Every month you will learn (or revise!) basic knowledge of:

- Wedging
- Clay stages
- Using slip to stick pieces of clay together
- Rules for helping your item to survive in the kiln
- Glazing principles

Depending on which Clay Club you come to there might be other things to learn—like a different glaze technique for example, or using equipment like a coil extruder.

We hope that Clay Club attendance will build confidence in hand-building and will act as induction in using the Milndavie Pottery.

We make really great, and very different, items each month so you can book into Clay Club consistently without fearing repetition—even if you were to make something similar in a few months time you can choose your own colours and designs so possibilities are endless.

Although we have a plan for what we'll make during Clay Club you will be welcome to have a look at our ideas and then do something completely different!

Independent Crafters

Our aim is that any Clay Club member who catches the ceramic bug and wants to work on a personal project, not directed by us, will have learned enough about how to make things out of clay and how our pottery works to feel able to book onto one of our "Studio Time" sessions. So some people will want to come to many Clay Clubs, and be guided to make a wide selection of items, whilst other people will use Clay Club as a jumping off point to working independently with clay.

Clay Class

If you want to work with clay but can't manage the club's four-week commitment look at the information on our web site about our one-off Clay Classes. You can make something different each week and we will glaze it for you. Alternatively you can book private lessons at £20 per person per session (we have a bulk purchase offer of £120 for 12 one-hour sessions)

Clay Club costs

£50 per person

Payment in advance please.

Phone or email. Don't assume your place is booked until you get confirmation from us, so chase us if you don't hear back!

Details and dates of our next Clay Club are on our website.

These are pictures of some of the things we have made in recent clay clubs...

petal dish



3-d Christmas card



creatures with heads that spin!



tealight



Easter decoration



pinchpot



pot with a lid



decorated plate



coil pot



plaque



circular tray



wiggly pot and bowl



building



flower dish



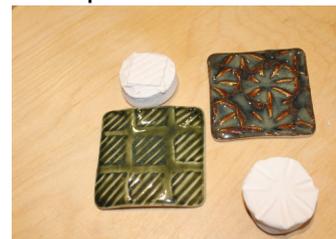
monster



plate



stamp for texture



If you see something you'd like to learn to make—just book a private lesson and we'll show you how = £20 per session.

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