Hi everybody,

For this new DIY, we're going to customize a mug! I took my inspiration from Pinterest, so I'm not inventing anything, I'm just sharing my creations and my pieces of advise.

For the materiels and tools, it's fairly easy. You'll need a cup/mug and porcelain paint or pen. I wouldn't advise you to use Posca pen, `cause they fade away even if you bake them in the oven.

Dotted Line Mug

I made my first colorful mugs for Christmas last year, as I wanted an original, useful present with a little bit of me in it.

I used a white board pen and drew some big letters on the mug. Then, with the porcelain pen, I drew loads of dots all around the letters, making sure they were tight! The porcelain pen dries very quickly and I was then able to empty the letters.

Close dots will make appear what you wrote.. here it's Ben for... Bénédicte (ha!). I left it to dry overnight, and then I baked it in the oven. Follow the indicatons on your pen, they may vary.

Tadaaam! A personalised mug!



The Good Morning Cup

Is there anything better than a cup that says Hello, early in the morning? This one is very simple, it was all about sharing a short (but efficient) message. It's up to you to find the sentence that will put a smile upon your face all day long, and you can vary it according to the use of the cup. Is it the morning cup, or the one you'll bring in to work? Same process as the previous cup; let it dry, bake it in the oven and no stress, it'll survive the wash;)



The Food Lover Cup

In a spirit of mug cake, here is the cupcake mug. A cute little cake to have with tea on a lovely Spring day! In its locket, it looks like a painting, don't you think? Perfect to have tea with Granny, with some biscuits on the side. You can diversify and draw any different kind of cute cake on this cup.



A Poetic Bowl

I went for some change here, with this bowl and its saucer that tell you a poem. With your pen write your poem onto your items. I started with the saucer, following the curve, shaping the writing like a snail shell. I wrote the last verse on the cup. Here, it's probably not the happiest poem ever: *Demain, dès l'aube* (Tomorrow at dawn) by Victor Hugo... but I like it and think it is sweet and lovely.

The best pen to use is a thin tip and dark color. I didn't have one so I did the best I could. Do you like it?



The Minimalist Cup

For this last one, I wanted something very simple. A tea bag hanging on the side of the cup, with a loveheart on the label.



Here you can find Ben's cups! I hope that those examples of customization will help you find ideas of your own. All you need is to jump in and do something you like.

See you soon for more tricks :)

