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EGG COVERED WITH LEATHER - INSPIRATION

Egg covered with leather

My graduation project in needlework at the seminar was leatherwork. This resulted, among other things, in this egg, which was covered with pieces of leather.

You can see more below how I approached the process.



I can't give you the finished recipe

- It's a matter of trying a little.

Inside there is a ceramic egg (not a small egg - but about 15 cm in height, I think). Leather strips has been created by me dyeing a piece of grain leather with grain ink. But before dyeing, I dripped hot wax onto the leather. There is no coloring where the stearin has been dripped on....hence the slightly mottled surface.

After dyeing, the wax was removed again (can be broken off) and I then cut out triangles that matched the length of what I wanted to coat the egg with.

I started by coating the egg from above and then in layers downwards.

Some of the triangles are colored several times. The tips of some of the triangles are frayed with a sharp scalpel and dyed with a slightly darker color again.

It was a long process to get the expression I wanted - but in the end I was satisfied.

So much of the project has consisted of trying one's way until it succeeded ;o)
But that's how needlework is - when you're not satisfied, it's a no-brainer and you unravel, peel apart or throw away....

Leather can be sculptural - you can see that here.