

Mountain Seed Art

Create a collage of layered mountain habitats and terrain!

Materials Dry seeds, grains, and beans*, bowls, Denali Outline Template (or draw your own), liquid glue, paintbrush (to apply glue)

*Suggestions: Split pea, corn, red lentils (for summer and fall vegetation colors), white rice (snow and glaciers), sunflower seeds, brown rice, quinoa, buckwheat, flax seed, wheat berries (rocky terrain), beans (boulders).

Fill bowls with various types of dried seeds, grains, and beans. Choose different colors and textures.

Apply glue to one area of the Denali outline.

Sprinkle dried seeds, grains, or beans on the area.

Tilt the paper to remove excess seeds.

Repeat the process to create layers on your mountain.

Let dry and enjoy your sensory mountain art!

A Mountain Landscape

A mountain is land that rises high above its surroundings, created by plate tectonics: the movement of plates that form the Earth's crust pushing up layers of rock where they meet. It takes several million years for mountains to rise. Mountains are a diverse landscape, with the terrain and ecosystem changing from lower to higher elevations.

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Rocky Slopes: Steep slopes, avalanches, and strong winds prevent vegetation from growing, leaving some areas bare and rocky. Large boulders can also be found scattered on the mountain, where ancient glaciers carried them.

Snow and Ice: Year-round snow and glacier-forming

Denali Outline Template

