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MudMaker

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Experience the Art of Clay Making

- Meet Clay Artists
- Learn About Creating with Clay
- Make Your Own Clay Work of Art

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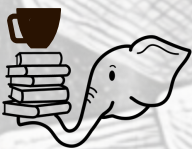
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clay mud

noun \ 'klā ,məd \

Definition:

A soft, wet mixture of fine-grained earth and water that is sticky, plastic, and easily shaped by hand. Clay mud is often used for modeling, building, or preparing clay bodies before they are refined, dried, and fired in ceramic processes.

Related terms: slip, earthen material

clay making

noun \ 'klā ,mā-kiŋ \

Definition:

The process of shaping, drying, and firing natural, fine-grained earth material to create functional or artistic objects such as pots, sculptures, or tiles.

Clay making involves transforming raw clay into a workable, malleable medium, forming it by hand or tool, and hardening it through high-temperature firing to produce durable ceramic pieces.

Related terms: pottery, ceramics, handbuilding, wheel throwing, glazing

clay artist

noun \ 'klā ,ār-təst \

Definition:

A person who creates works of art out of clay, often to express ideas, emotions, or experiences. A clay artist may make functional pottery, tiles, sculptures, or other clay-based artworks, often combining technical skill with personal expression and design.

Also called: ceramic artist, ceramist, potter