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2000 Year Old Paw Prints!

This pawprint was left behind by a dog in Roman times! The object is a fragment of roof tile. We can just imagine the Roman tile maker leaving his fresh clay tiles out in the sun whilst he went for some lunch – only to return and find a mischievous dog had walked across them, leaving behind little paw prints!

Believe it or not, animal prints are quite common on Roman tiles. We have examples of cat and deer prints too.



Have you ever spotted a modern foot or paw print in concrete?

Make your own hand or paw print at home

We used plasticine for ours but you could use clay, salt dough, play dough or any other soft modelling material. If you have a pet you might be able to encourage them to leave a pawprint. If not you could make a hand or footprint. We created our pawprint using the rubber on a pencil!



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