

LEFRANC BOURGEOIS *enfants*



DOUANIER ROUSSEAU

Henri Rousseau, nicknamed « Douanier Rousseau » or Tax Collector because of his profession, was born in Laval in 1844, the same region as the factory that makes Lefranc Bourgeois' paints & art materials.



A dreamer, Douanier Rousseau, finds inspiration for his paintings in illustrated books and walks in the Jardin des Plantes in Paris. **One of his favourite themes is the natural world, especially the jungle.**

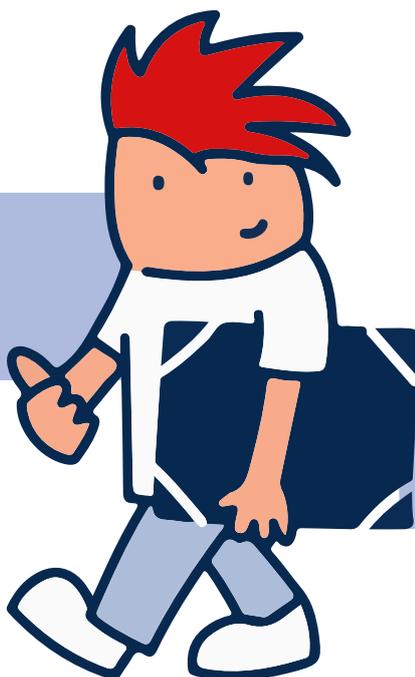
Although first mocked for the simplicity of his paintings, at the turn of the 20th century he became an artist recognised by the art scene. Painters like **Picasso and Gauguin** admired his work. He became the leader of an artistic movement called NAIVE ART.

Let's create a painting in the style of Douanier Rousseau together.

WILD NATURE IN THE STYLE OF DOUANIER ROUSSEAU

LEFRANC BOURGEOIS MATERIALS YOU'LL NEED

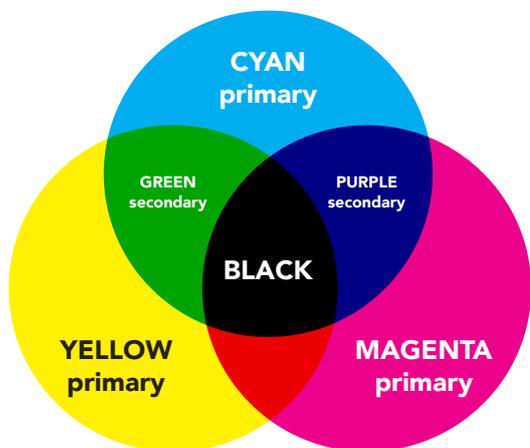
- Sketchbook
- Protective apron
- Gouache tubes and discs
- Paint brushes
- Paint roller



ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

- A glass of water
- Some dry leaves from your garden or the park

DISCOVER THE COLOUR GREEN



Did you know that using only three colours, you can create loads of different colours like the ones Douanier Rousseau used in his jungle paintings. With your yellow and blue you can invent different shades of green.

Green is made with yellow and blue.
Put some yellow onto your palette.
Slowly add blue, mixing it with yellow, bit by bit. You'll get:
- lime yellow, grass green, leaf green, then palm tree green and pine green...
For even more types of green, add white to your mix. You'll create a nice lime green or even a turquoise blue green.



1ST STEP

Start with a walk outside and look at nature just like Douanier Rousseau. While walking, pick up different shaped leaves!

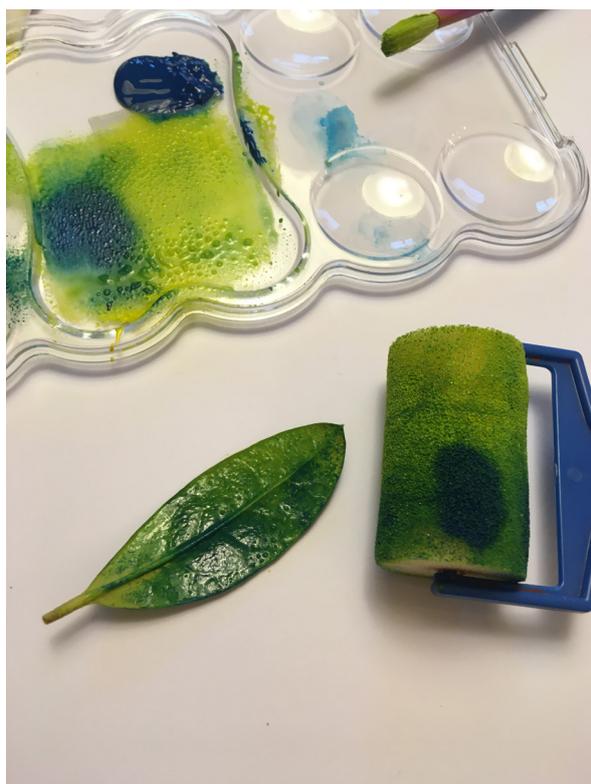
2ND STEP

Squeeze some yellow and blue onto your palette from your tubes of gouache. Dampen your roller and roll it in the yellow. Next, roll it in the blue to make green. Experiment with different mixes to find your favourite green.



3RD STEP

Roll your mixed green onto your leaves and print them onto your paper. Print your leaves as many times as you like until you've created a beautiful jungle.



ELBÉ'S TIPS:

TIP 1

Use your leaves to print a stem.

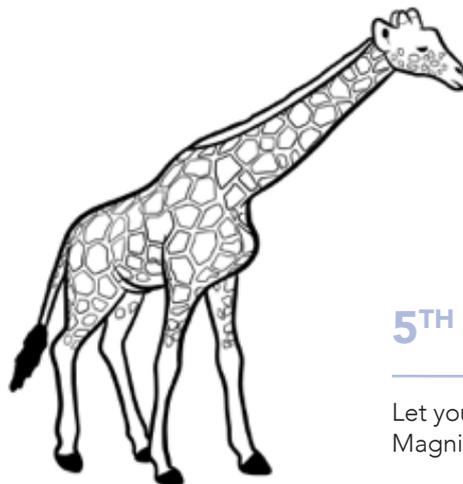


TIP 2

To add depth to your work, layer your leaf prints on a separate piece of paper, then cut out stem shapes to add to your picture.

4TH STEP

On the last page you'll find monkeys, a giraffe and a lion! Print out your favourite animal - or all of them! Colour them using your gouache discs.



5TH STEP

Let your painting dry. Magnificent! It really feels like we're in the jungle!



