KING PROTEA

Materials needed:
- Uhu Glue
- 10-15 cotton buds
- A single egg carton
- Red and white Paint
- Scissors

Begin by cutting out the center of the egg carton, removing the two cones.

Secondly, cut each corner of the egg carton out and put aside.

Here is what the Egg Carton will look like once you have removed the cones and two corners.

Using the remaining egg carton, cut triangles of varying sizes, will be used as the Petals. The rounder parts are the best.

Now using the cone from step 1, cut with scissors cutting from bottom to the middle This will be the stamen.

Begin to arrange the remaining corners into a circle, to be the petals, with a cone in the middle. Once happy with the layout of the Protea, begin to glue together. It is is easiest to glue a flat base in the center.

Once the uhu glue is dry, begin to paint with Red acrylic, and then paint step 5 white. Add your own colour and detail and you are done there is an optional step.

Optional: Cut 3/4 up from the bottom of the cotton earbud. Now glue the longer piece with the cotton face down, and where you cut meet in the center to make a canopy of stamens.

Here is what the King Protea may look like once finished, don't worry if it doesn't look exactly like it as each flower is different.

Fun Fact: Proteas are one of the oldest flowers on the planet as they date back to 300 million years ago.

If you're struggling, a good tip is to use the flattest parts of the egg carton as the base, and then begin gluing the petals to it.