



# Aztec Pottery





To build their creations, the Aztecs employed a traditional technique which involved the use of coils.

The Aztecs would mix the temper with the clay, which would keep the clay itself from shrinking upon being set with fire.

Once it was mixed they would either wrap the clay in a damp cloth or bury it in the ground to keep it out of the sun until it was ready to use. The use of coils is a very simple process, and even an individual new to ceramics could construct beautiful creations using this simple technique.



SPAIN ARRIVES TO MESOAMERICA  
1521



Spain introduced the spinning wheel and the kilns to Mesoamerica.



## Back to the Pre-colonial era

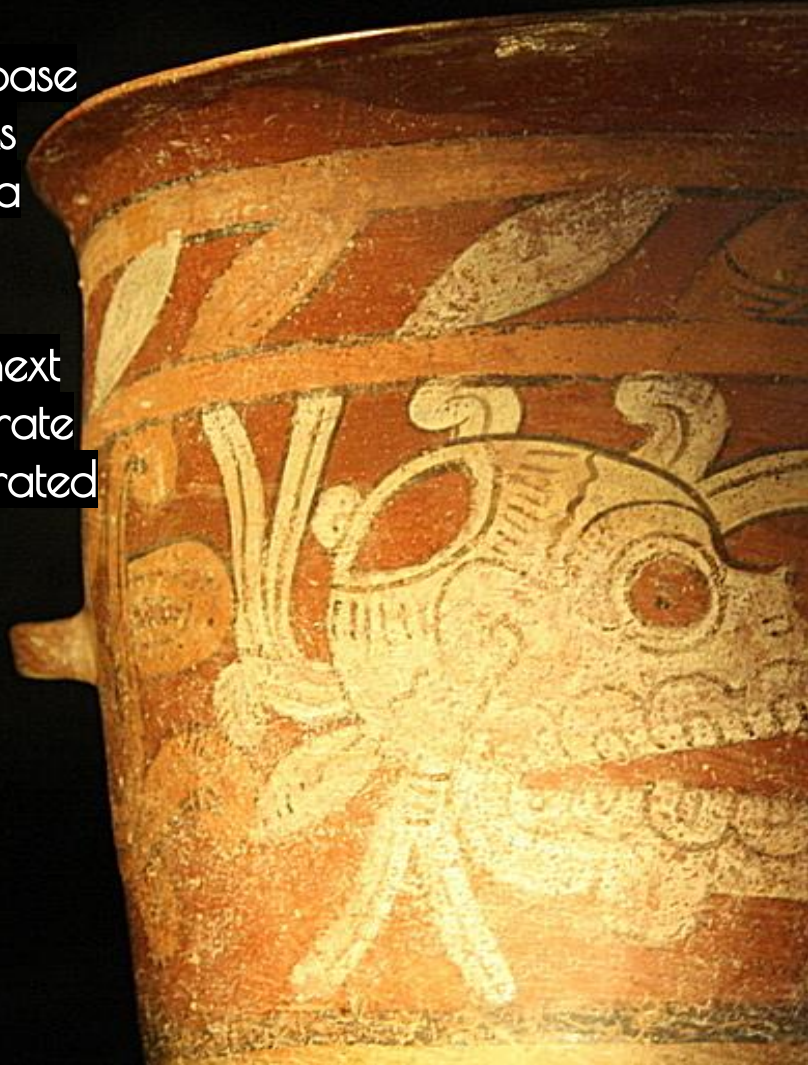
**Aztecs use moulder**

**Firstly, one would put some clay on the broken base to copy it and once it was a little hard, he or she could begin to create long rolls of clay and start adding them to the base. One would begin by building it up straight, carefully pushing outward to form the ideal shape in mind and scrape while working on it.**



Once you build your base and there we no cracks you were to fired it at a high temperatures.

Once it was fired the next step would be to decorate it. Aztecs used to decorated it with natural slip of vegetable minerals.







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