

Pani Popo

These Samoan coconut rolls are sticky and sweet! Don't forget to get an adult's help.

12 frozen dinner rolls from package (or a favorite roll recipe)

1 10-oz can coconut milk (about 300 ml)

1/2 cup sugar

1. Prepare rolls in a greased baking dish and let rise according to package instructions.
2. Combine coconut milk and sugar in bowl and mix until sugar is dissolved. Pour about 2/3 of coconut mixture evenly over rolls.
3. Bake rolls at 350°F (175°C) for 20–30 minutes (or according to package/recipe instructions).
4. Remove from oven and pour remainder of coconut mixture on top. Rolls will be sticky on bottom.



Siapo

Siapo is a cloth made in Samoa from the bark of paper mulberry trees. The bark is scraped and beaten to become soft, then set out in the sun to dry. Artists use dyes from berries, nuts, and other things in nature to paint patterns on the cloth. Here's how to make your own pretend Siapo cloth!

**1 paper bag
acrylic paint**

1. Tear a large rectangle or square from the paper bag.
2. Crumple the paper into a tight ball. Then uncrumple it and lay it flat. Repeat several times until the paper is soft like fabric.
3. Paint lines across the "cloth" to separate it into sections. Then paint different shapes, lines, and patterns in each of the sections.
4. Set your cloth out to dry. Hang it up when it's done!



BACKGROUND WEDDING TAPA FROM WIKIMEDIA COMMONS; LEFT, PHOTO BY ASHLEY BARNETT; STEP BY STEP IMAGES FROM GETTY IMAGES