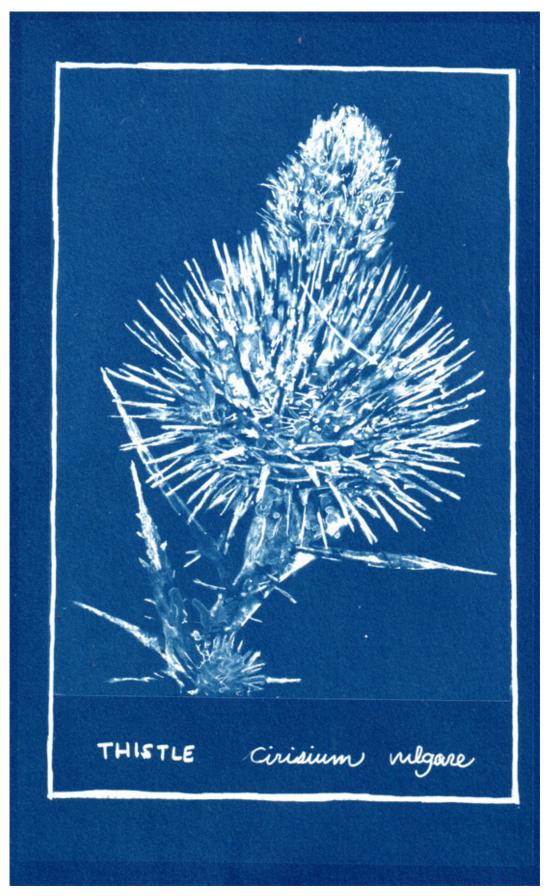
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Artist and educator Maru Rojas shares how to create beautiful

cyanotype images through illustrated steps.

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"The aim of this project originally was to explore in detail the 20 most noxious plants and weeds introduced to Australia. For this, I used the alternative photographic cyanotype printing in order to transform delicate drawings into detailed "photographic prints".

Having spent a few weeks in the Australian bush, the presence of these weeds was to me symbolic evidence of the introduction of Western values and ideals, a metaphor for the imposition of another way of thinking and the way we deal with "otherness". Cyanotype seemed like the perfect method to convey this idea; enabling me to print several copies of the same image. This project can be adapted to any theme. I've done this with young people (aged 14-18) and they love the process.

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