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Equipment & Materials List

Handmade books: Soft Cover Leather Books

Thursday 5 February at 10am UK time

Students will need:

This is quite a long list so if you have any questions please get in touch with Janina. Either of the books can be made with a thick (3mm) piece of felt rather than leather if you prefer.

Tools

- Scissors
- Basic drawing tools: pencil, eraser, sharpener
- Cutting tools: cutting or craft knife (it is essential this has a sharp blade, for cutting the leather), metal ruler, cutting mat
- Rotary cutter (only needed if you are using felt rather than leather)
- Black felt tip pen or similar for marking the leather
- Thick scrap card for protecting your work surface (eg back of sketchpad, 2mm greyboard)
- Large eye blunt needle eg tapestry needle size 20 or similar
- Very large eye needle for the wrapped cord book, needs to take 1mm waxed cord
- Essential: Hole punch. This is for making holes in the leather / felt and it needs to have a long reach (approx. 10cm). Alternatively you can use a screw punch eg Xcut Screw Hole punch
- Bone folder for creasing paper (or you can use your fingernail)
- Small awl / braddle (for making holes in paper and card)

Materials for Travellers notebook

- Leather 21cm by 22cm
- Thin elastic 1mm or 2mm thick and 1.5 metres long
- Piece of paper to make template 21cm by 22 cm
- 2 sheets A4 card – plain or patterned
- 1 sheet 12 inch square card – plain or patterned
- 30 sheets printer weight paper approx. 80gsm
- Double sided tape or glue stick
- Linen thread

Materials for wrapped waxed cord leather book

- Leather 21 cm by 34 cm
- 15 sheets A4 watercolour paper 225gsm weight, or similar paper (Janina uses paper from Seawhites)
- 1mm thick waxed cord, 80cm long
- Piece of paper for template 21cm by 34cm
- Optional for lining leather: decorative paper, PVA glue, foam roller for applying glue, waxed paper and heavy books for pressing
- Optional for book closure: ribbon, button, strong thread



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Suggested / Preferred Suppliers:

Bookbinding tools (bone folder, awl, linen thread, leather)

- Hewit - <https://www.hewit.com/>
- The Range, for Xcut Screw punch, also decorative card - <https://www.therange.co.uk/>

Leather

- G H Leathers Northampton - <http://www.leathermerchants.com/>
- Etsy shop "Made in Ludlow" - <https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/MadeInLudlow>

Thick felt

- Wool Felt Company <https://www.woolfeltcompany.co.uk/>

Waxed cotton cord (1mm) and elastic (1mm or 2mm)

- Etsy Shop "Rainbow Cord Shop" - <https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/RainbowCordShop>

Watercolour paper, PVA glue, card, general art and craft tools

- Seawhites- <https://www.artesaver.co.uk/>