



Introduction to Block Printing

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Materials:

- Barren for hand printing. Barrens come in all shapes, sizes, and materials. I find that a wooden mixing-spoon works best.
- Linoleum carving tool and assorted nibs. Speedball is a popular beginner brand. Flexcut tools are a professional grade.
- Scrap or decorative paper
- Reference images, sketchbooks, photographs
- Additional relief printing block of choice. Blick or A&C art suppliers carry a variety of block printing substrates in varying hardnesses. Max size: 5"x 7."