

SHORT COURSE DETAILS

SID07428 MAKE A LEATHER JOURNAL – A TASTER DAY

Tutor: RACHEL WARD-SALE

Date: 1 DAY WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER

ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

A soft leather journal is the new must have accessory for writers, artists and explorers. In this class you will learn how to design and make a unique book with a soft leather cover and fastening strap. The course will cover the techniques and skills required to select and prepare the materials, measure and design the cover and assemble your journal.

This practical day will introduce you to materials and techniques involved in making a long stitch binding. You will learn about the properties and characteristics of materials you will be using and how to ascertain their suitability for the binding. There will also be an introduction to the tools and equipment involved and their correct handling.

During the day you will learn how to;

- Fold paper into sections ready for sewing.
- Select and prepare leather for the binding.
- Use basic long stitch sewing techniques.

Each process will be demonstrated to the group, afterwards you will be able to work on your own binding with individual help from the tutor and will produce at least one finished book, with the opportunity to experiment with other materials if time allows.

LEVEL: SUITABLE FOR ALL

A subject focused course that is delivered to suit any level of experience from beginner to advanced practitioner. A structured start is followed by guided independent practice.

ABOUT YOUR TUTOR:

Rachel studied art, design and bookbinding at The University of Brighton and has worked as a self-employed bookbinder and teacher for 30 years. She is a Fellow of Designer Bookbinders and her work is represented in private and public collections including the British Library and Liverpool Central Library. She has been awarded prizes in national and international competitions.

TIMETABLE:

9.00–9.15am	Registration and coffee
9.15am	Morning classes
10.30am	Coffee
12.45pm	Lunch (included)
2.00pm	Afternoon classes
3.30pm	Tea
5.00pm	Classes finish

MATERIALS FOR YOUR COURSE:

We have a generously stocked craft shop, which opens daily from 8.30am–2pm, for any materials you need to purchase from the shop.

Materials included in the course fee:

The course fee includes the cost of materials used to complete one journal, including paper, leather, thread and needles.

Additional charge:

If you use additional materials the tutor will make a charge for these, which should be paid to the tutor before the end of the course, by cash or cheque.

Available from the Shop:

Paper
Pointed bone folder

Available from the tutor:

Paper, leather, thread, needles

Please bring any of the above, if you have them, and in addition:

Pencil
Rubber
Pen
Scissors
Kraft knife
Dividers
Set square

(These items can also be purchased from the College Craft Shop, if you don't have them.)

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

The tutor instructs students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. Students may work unsupervised on agreed projects once they have satisfied the tutor as to their competence. There may be restrictions on the equipment available to students in the tutor's absence. All Personal Protection Equipment, apart from footwear, is provided by the College.