

Doodle Page Digital Download

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1) Full Size

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2) Tiled

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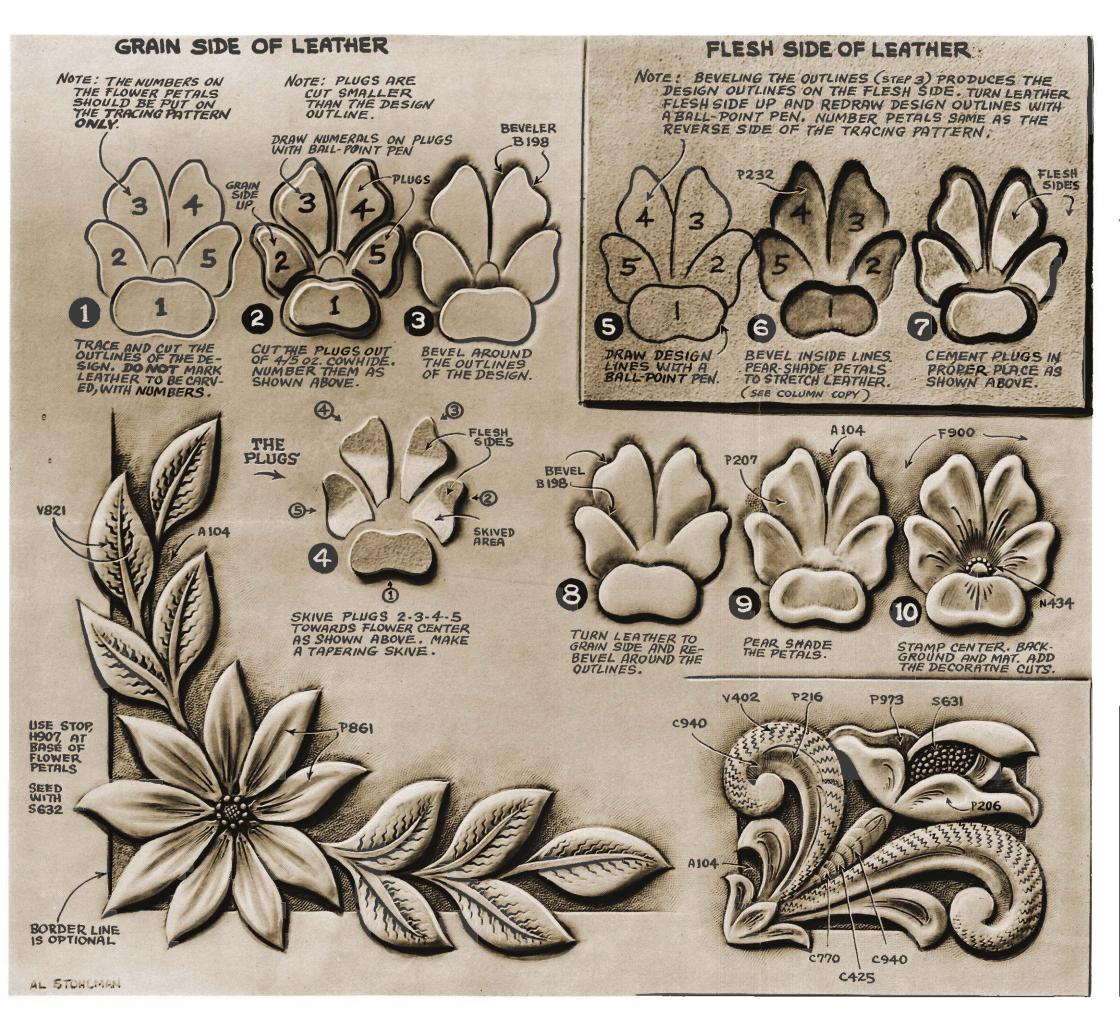
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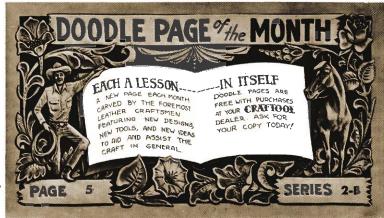
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BASIC EMBOSSING TECHNIQUES by Al Stohlman

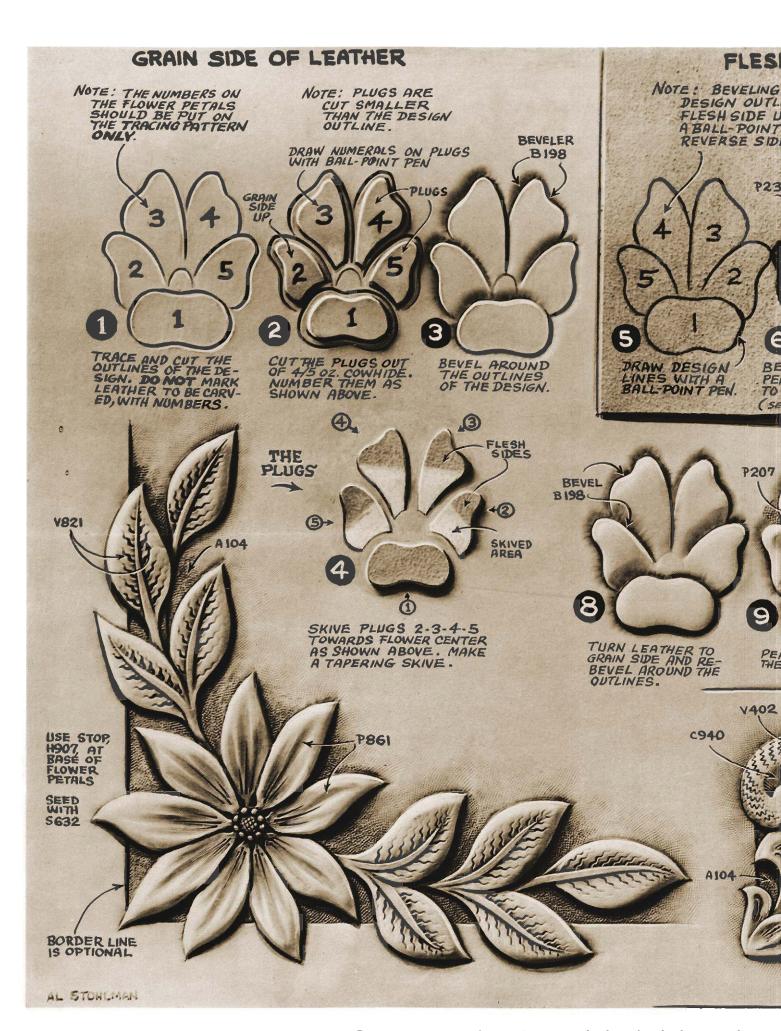
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Make a tracing pattern and number the flower petals (to be embossed) on the pattern. DO NOT MARK THESE NUMBERS ON THE CARVING LEATHER . . . they are for identifying the proper placement of the petal plugs. Trace the flower on a scrap of 4/5 oz. leather and cut out the plugs as shown in step 2. Note, they are cut smaller than the flower outline . . . this is to allow for the thickness of the cased leather that covers them. Step 4 shows the plugs skived and ready for use. Skive on the flesh side and skive towards the flower center, as it is supposed to be recessed. Number the plugs same as on the tracing pattern.

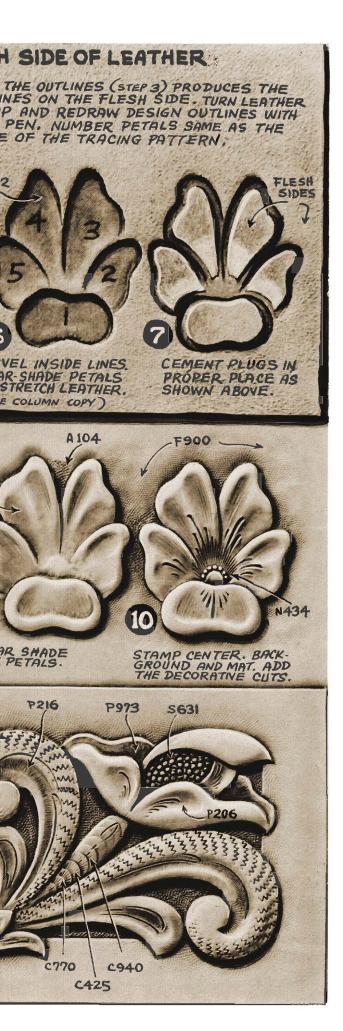
Step 6 shows the petals stretched out from the flesh side. This can be accomplished by laying the leather on a piece of sheep wool or similar surface and bevel and shade within the petal outlines to create these recessed areas. Cement plugs in place. Use rubber cement. Turn leather to grain side and complete stamping flower in the regular manner. Follow the instructions carefully.

The corner design and 1/2 billfold were embossed in the same manner. The stems and ends of the leaves (of the plugs) should be skived at areas where they flow into the design. Fine stems are not embossed. On the corner design, each flower petal and each leaf . . . as well as the flower center were embossed. The plugs were skived towards the flower center to give more recess to the center. Always cut plugs undersize (of design outline). Once the plugs are set in place, all of the work is completed from the grain side. Carve and stamp in the regular manner. Have FUN with EMBOSSING!





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