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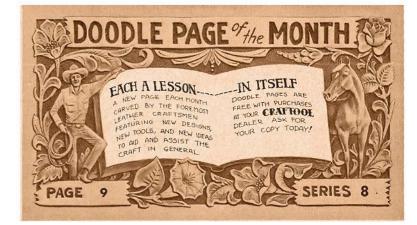
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HOW TO USE TREES IN LEATHERCARVING

By CHRISTINE STANLEY

The carving of a tree on leather does not require an exact duplication of the design, tool mark for tool mark. The carver has a great deal of freedom in the use of the tools, having no specific lines to follow when working in the mass of foliage. There is, however, a definite shape or appearance for each species in the tree family. This Doodle Page illustrates the way in which several different species of trees may be grouped together to create a scene in which you may want to do some figure carving. In passing, it may be well to add this word of caution. Be sure that all trees used in the same scene will harmonize with the overall effect of the scene and any figures used therein. In other words: Don't put an African lion in a Northwoods setting with tropical plants in the foreground.

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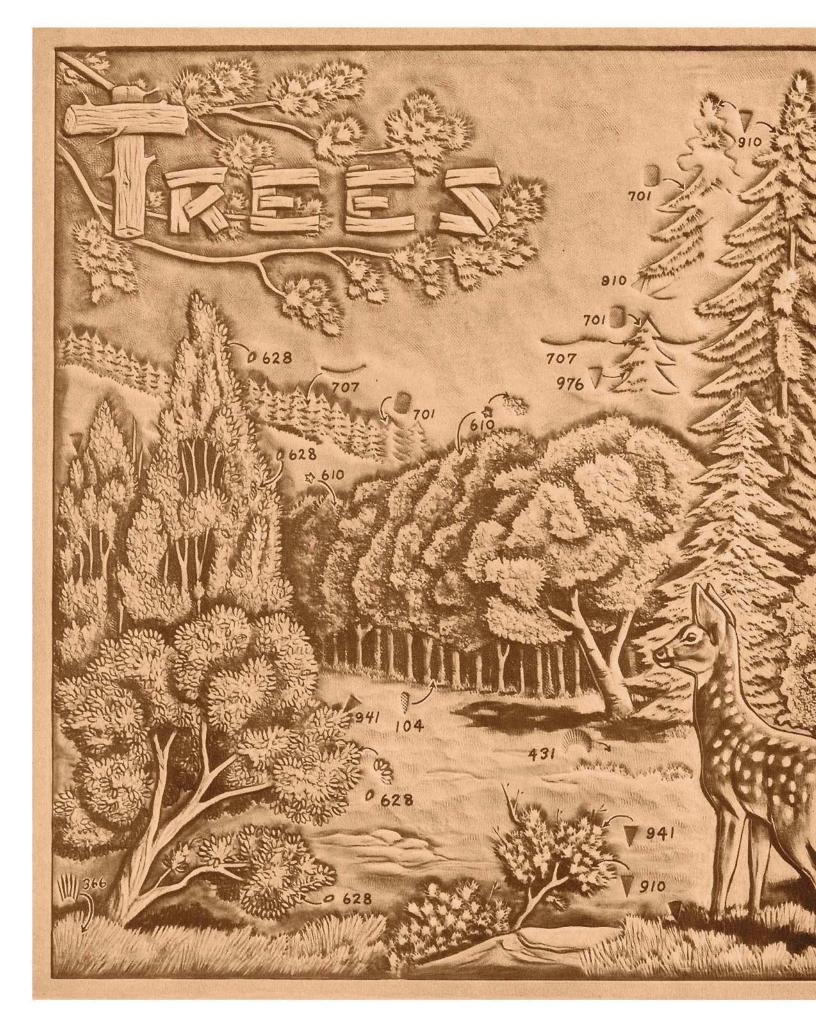
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This same principal will apply to any figures you may add to the scene. You will notice the fawn in the near foreground of the photo is quite large. If you added a doe, somewhere in the background, she would be smaller than the fawn. The figure should be kept in correct proportion to objects immediately adjacent to it.

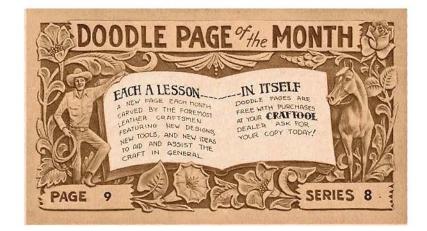
The tools required for carving trees are much the same as those found in any leathercarver's tool kit. A few that may be different would be the star tools such as the 609 and 610. A pointed, lined beveler such as the 910 is also pretty important, as is the 628 seeder for making the poplar leaves. Most of the other tool numbers shown in the photo are tools Christine found most suitable for this particular project, but in most cases there are substitutes which could be used to obtain similar effects.

TIPS

Always remember there are many dark shadows in and under the foliage of trees, so when applying the dye, keep this in mind. Darken the inner depth of the foliage and don't forget the shadow on the ground underneath the tree.







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