



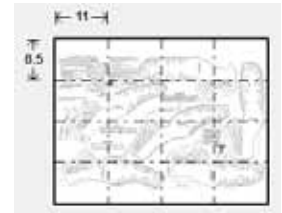
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Leathercraft Projects To-Go

Patriotic Designs On An Everlasting Leather

JOURNAL

Plus A Look At History And “How We Honor Our Patriots”



OBJECTIVE: Students will learn about the theme while creating a useful and decorative leather project. Lesson includes history and new vocabulary words. Creativity, math and dexterity skills will be exercised to design, personalize, color, and then assemble the project.

MATERIALS LIST

All Supplies Needed To Complete 12 Leather Journal Projects:

- Pre-Punched Veg-Split Suede Leather Parts
- Cords & Beads
- Cova Color® Acrylic Paints
- Brushes
- Sharpie Markers
- Stencils
- Design & Coloring Ideas
- Complete Instructions



YOU WILL or MIGHT NEED:

- Pencils For Planning Designs
- Scissors For Trimming Cord
- Classroom Markers, Acrylic Paints & Brushes
- Plastic Palettes, Plates Or Wax Paper For Paints

CLASSROOM TIME:

Minimum of 4 Sessions:
 Design = 45 minutes
 Color the Projects = 90 minutes
 Assembly = 45 minutes



GETTING STARTED:**How & When Do We Honor Our Patriots?****SESSION 1 - Design:**

- Have students plan their designs on paper templates before putting them on the leather.
- Copy template on page 5 and hand out along with pencils for planning designs.
- Cut stencils apart on dotted lines and handout for planning designs.

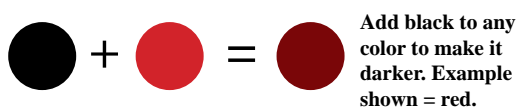
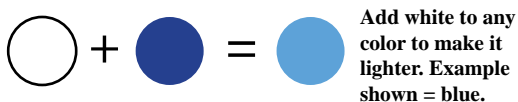
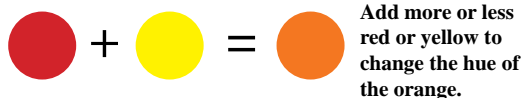
SESSIONS 2 & 3 - Color:

- Hand out leather parts to each student.
- Share Sharpie Markers, paints & brushes. Use plastic palettes, plates or wax paper for mixing paints.

(SEE PAGE 3 FOR SESSION 4)

MIXING COVA COLOR® ACRYLIC PAINTS

The primary colors (red, yellow & blue) have been supplied in this Theme Bucket. The secondary colors (orange, green & purple) can be created as shown:



Now try mixing the secondary colors together to get even more colors.

Independence Day (The 4th of July) - A holiday set aside to honor the founding fathers of the United States of America. On June 7, 1776, Richard Henry Lee, delegate from the Virginia colony, made a motion to the Continental Congress, stating that “these united colonies are and of right ought to be free and independent States, that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is and ought to be totally dissolved.” This motion was seconded by John Adams of Massachusetts and the resolution was passed the next day. On June 11, a committee comprising of Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Roger Sherman and Robert Livingston prepared the first draft of the Declaration of Independence. On July 4, 1776, the final draft was presented and adopted.

Veterans’ Day (November 11) - Formerly known as Armistice Day, Veteran’s Day is an annual holiday to honor all of those living and dead who served in the United States Armed Services in wartime. Armistice Day, as it was first called, was proclaimed in 1919 to celebrate the termination (at 11am on November 11, 1918) of World War I. It became a holiday in the U.S., France, Great Britain and Canada. In Canada it is known as Remembrance Day and in Great Britain, as Remembrance Sunday. In 1954, the holiday acquired its current name, Veteran’s Day, and a broadened significance due to World War II and Korean War.

Memorial Day (end of May) - Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day, a day to decorate the graves of the nations’ Civil War dead. Sadly the birthplace where Memorial Day was first observed was fought over. Several Northern and Southern cities claimed to be the birthplace.

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NOTE: *When using acrylic paints on leather, be sure the project is completely dry before starting to assemble the project.*

GETTING STARTED continued:

SESSION 4 - Assembly:

- Copy the Instructions on page 6 and hand them out to each student along with the cord and beads.
- Practice before class and then demonstrate the steps.

ABOUT THE LEATHER:

The leather used for this project is called veg-split leather, cut from cowhide. Both sides are rough or suede. The grain side (smooth top side) of this particular cut of leather has been removed.

Veg-split leather can be decorated with designs by either painting or drawing with markers and pens. This project will be decorated using acrylic paints and colored markers.

History Continued:

In 1966 under the direction of President Lyndon Johnson, Waterloo, N.Y. was declared the birthplace of Decoration (or Memorial) Day. Today the observance of Memorial Day honors all those (not just veterans) who died in all of American's wars. In 1971, Congress declared Memorial Day to be a national holiday celebrated on the last Monday in May of each year.

Did You Know: Decoration Day was first widely observed on May 30, 1868, to honor those who made sacrifices during the Civil War. General John A. Logan declared:

The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrade who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyards in the land. In this observance no form of ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting service and testimonials of respect as circumstance may permit.

The project for this lesson is to make an everlasting leather journal decorated with a patriotic theme and assembled with your choice of stitching technique.

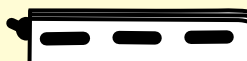
VOCABULARY:

Cowhide - The hide (skin) from a mature bovine (cow).

Flesh Side - The rough (suede) underside of leather.

Grain Side - The hair side of the leather with the hair removed. This side may be tooled.

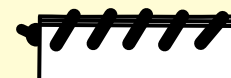
Running Stitch - A very historic lacing technique where the lace is stitched in and out of a row of holes.



Tanning - The process using tannins (yellowish substance from oak bark) to change a fresh animal hide into leather.

Veg-Split - Vegetable-Tanned leather can be split (layered) into two pieces: one with the grain (top hair side) and one with the rough surface on both sides. Veg-split is the rough surfaced layer.

Whip Stitch - A very historic lacing technique where the lace is taken over the edge of the leather and then into the next hole.



CREATE DESIGNS USING STENCIL PATTERNS & YOUR OWN IDEAS

Here are some color & design ideas shown on the project parts. The leather can be left its natural color with just the designs in color or paint the backgrounds and designs different colors.

COLORING HINTS:

To paint large areas, mix a Cova Color "wash" by diluting the color with water. Be sure to mix enough to do the entire project or keep a record of the proportions for mixing more.

To make bright or light colors stand out on a darker background, paint bright or light colors first. Then fill in background around them with a darker color. Or, put a wash over the area, let dry, then come back and paint the designs in white. Let white dry completely (few minutes), then add desired colors on top of the white.



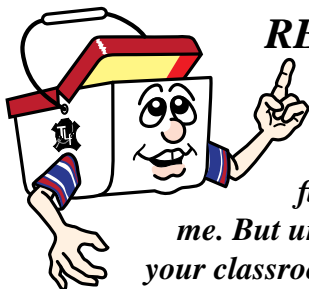
NOTE:

Be sure to plan designs on paper before drawing or applying color on the leather.

All 4 sides can be decorated with paint and or markers.

CLASSROOM EXPANSION IDEAS:

- ~ Study the writing and adoption of the Declaration of Independence.
- ~ After making the Journal, challenge students to collect names of veterans they meet. Record in the journals, the branch of armed service, dates the veterans served and any stories they might want to share with the student.



RECYCLE ME!

"I am your Theme Bucket - be sure to recycle me! I would like to end up in your closet with many of my friends. I could store art supplies, extra leather project parts, or even help you organize your files. Create a new label for me so I can help you find what is stored in me. But until it's time to recycle, I am happy to bring fun & learning into your classroom by offering you Projects To-Go from Tandy Leather Factory."

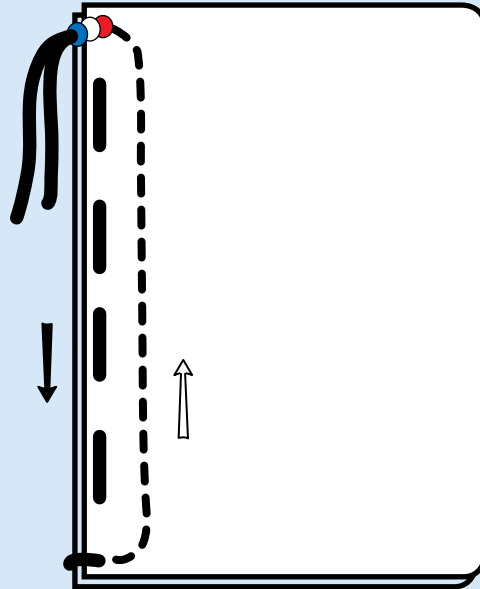
TEMPLATE FOR PLANNING DESIGNS

A large, empty rectangular area with rounded corners, intended for drawing or planning designs. The area is enclosed by a decorative scalloped border. On the left side of the rectangle, there are ten small circles, evenly spaced, which serve as punch holes for the page.

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

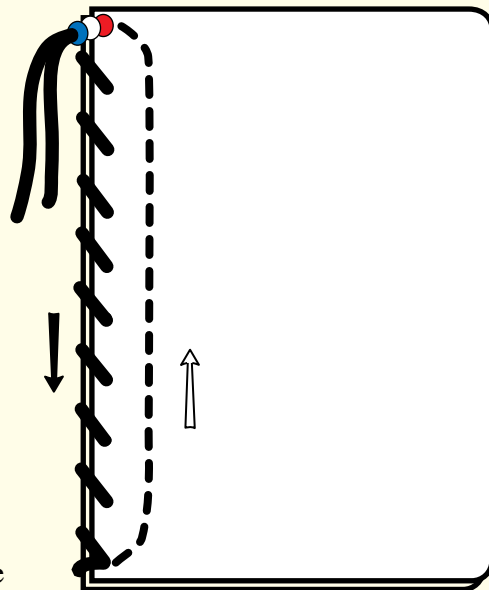
USING THE RUNNING STITCH:

- 1) Position the two journal pieces (insides) together, aligning holes.
- 2) Begin at the top hole on the front side of the journal. Leave at least 6" of cord at the hole and stitch through top aligned holes to the back side.
- 3) Stitch down and out through the next aligned holes. Continue in & out to last hole.
- 4) At last hole, stitch over edge and up through bottom hole in back part only and take cord up between parts to top hole. Stitch out through top hole in front part only. Pull inside cord tight.
- 5) Slide 3 beads on both cords together. Push up to hole to secure. Trim off excess cord. Tie knots in ends.



USING THE WHIP STITCH:

- 1) Position the two journal pieces (insides) together, aligning holes.
- 2) Begin at the top hole on the front side of the journal. Leave 6" of cord at the hole and stitch through top aligned holes to the back side.
- 3) Stitch over edge and down through the next aligned holes. Continue to last hole.
- 4) At last hole, from the back, stitch over edge & through bottom hole of front part only and take cord up between parts to top hole. Stitch out through top hole in front part only.
- 5) Slide 3 beads on both cords together. Push up to hole to secure. Trim off excess cord. Tie knots in ends.



TO PLACE PAPER: Pull beads away from top hole to loosen cord loop on inside of journal. Insert folded 8-1/2" x 11" paper through loop, then tighten beads back up to top hole.

HINTS: *When stitching, keep the cord flat - do not twist it.
To keep cut cord ends from unraveling, put a drop of classroom white glue
on the cut ends and let them dry completely.*