



## Doodle Page Digital Download

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The Doodle Page PDF files are typically laid out like this:

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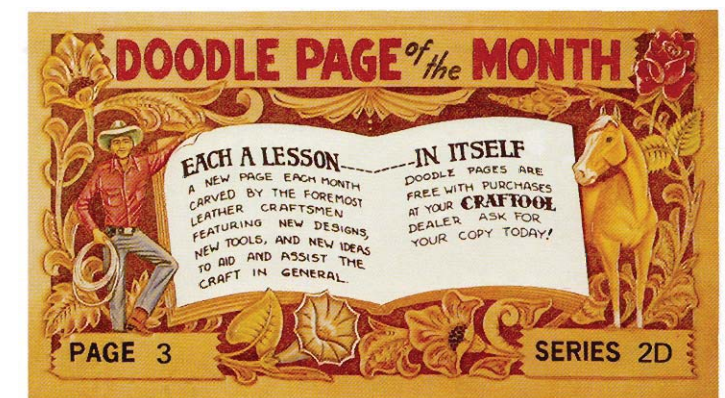
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## THE "HIKER" by Andy Skitko

The peace and solitude of a serene mountain lake takes you away from the fast pace of today's society. A respite in time is something we would all enjoy. Perhaps when doing this picture, you too may find yourself being transported to the dimension of time enjoyed by the "Hiker". Good Luck!!!

The Photo-Carve pattern is given here and the tracing pattern is given on the back of this sheet. The cutting lines can be distinguished by the heavy dark lines that outline the details of the picture.

The tools used are fairly well indicated in the Photo-Carve pattern. The pine needles, blades of grass, flowers and birds were cut with the swivel knife. The tree bark, the smoothing of any beveling in the mountains, water and the "Hiker" were done with the spoon of the modeling tool.

The coloring was done with Omega Dye. I would suggest practicing before doing your original picture, if this happens to be your first attempt. The sky and water were left untouched so as not to detract from the "Hiker" and surrounding scenery.

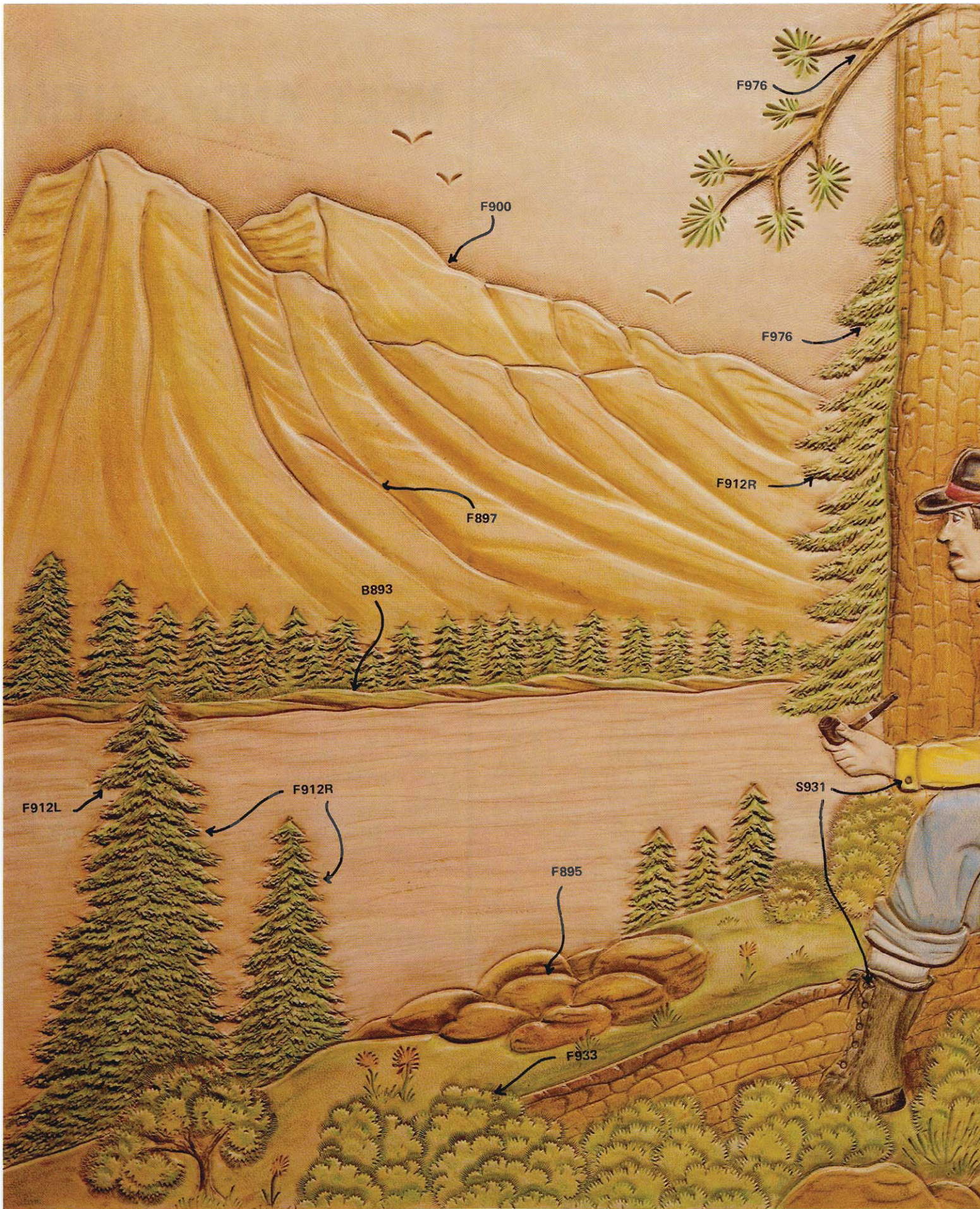
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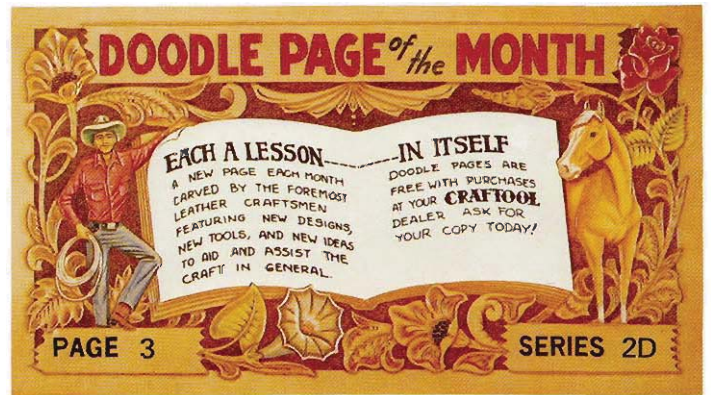
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