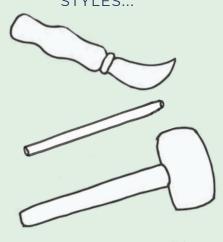




TEMPLATE USING A3 LEATHER CUTS

INSPIRED BY A STORY TELLING EVENING WITH PHIL OKWEDY, THIS BAG DESIGN CAME INTO LIFE FROM REFERENCES IN A NIGERIAN FOLK TALE. THE DESIGN WORKED SO WELL, WE USED IT AS A BASE FOR A NATIVE AMERICAN INSPIRED BAG, AS WELL AS A BUSHCRAFT BAG... WHAT WILL YOUR INTERPRETATION BE? IT IS UP TO YOU! ONE PATTERN - MANY STYLES...



TOOLS

CUTTING KNIFE

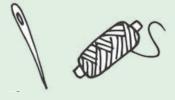
DRIVE PUNCHES: 3777-00 #0 (1.9MM) FOR STITCH HOLES (OR 3003-00 MINI PUNCH SET) 1195-02 LARGE EYE NEEDLE

YOU WILL ALSO NEED

STONE BLOCK

POUNDO BOARD

MALLET

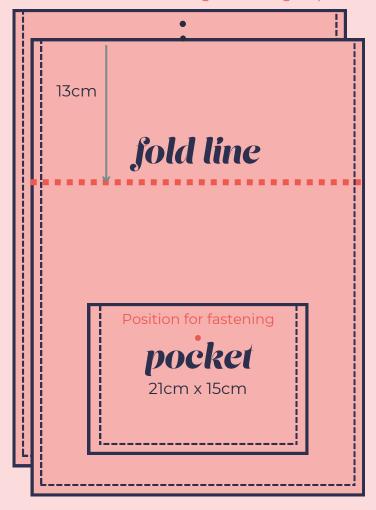


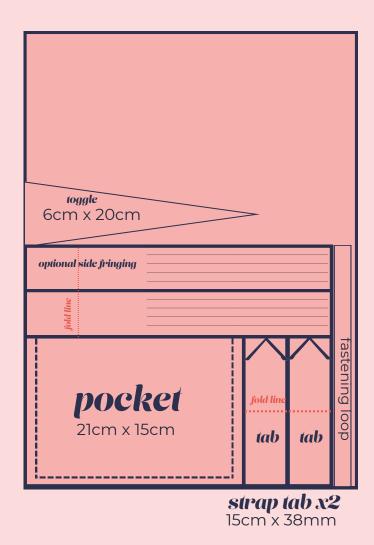
MATERIALS

WAXED THREAD - 1MM BRAIDED CORD
OR LEATHER THONGING/LACE
2535-5MM DOUBLE SIDED TAPE
DYES, PAINTS, BEADS TO CHOICE

TEMPLATE A3 PIECES

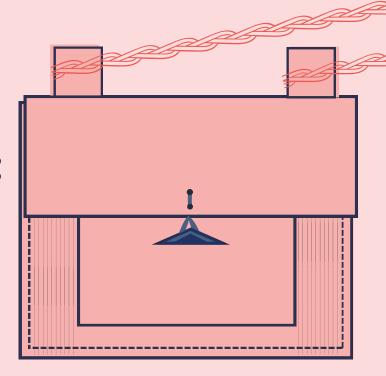
Holes to thread through fastening loop





Leather choices:

Identity pre-cut A3 in:
Heritage Mellow leather
Heritage Coloured A3
Alum Buff A3
Derwent Leather A3
Olive Harvest Leather A3







TIP 1: FOR BEST PUNCH RESULTS PLACE THE POUNDO BOAD OR CUTTING BOARD ON TOP OF THE STONE BLOCK. A LITTLE BLUE TACK BETWEEN HELPS IT NOT TO SLIDE OFF.

TIP 2: PUSH THE PUNCHES PERIODICALLY INTO HARD BEESWAX TO HELP THEM GO MORE EASILY THROUGH THE LEATHER





Template

FROM ONE OF THE A3 PIECES OR SUITABLE SCRAPS, CUT OUT YOUR EXTRA PATTERN PIECES, IE POCKET, STRAP ATTACHMENTS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS





Punching

PUNCH OUT THE STITCH OR LACING HOLES AROUND THE TWO LONG EDGES AND ONE SHORT EDGE OF 2 OF THE A3 ON THE 2X REMAINING A3. ON ONE OF THEM POSTION THE POCKET, TAPE DOWN AND PUNCH STITCH HOLES.





Setting the fold

DAMPEN THE LEATHER ON THE AREA MARKED ON THE TEMPLATE FOR THE FOLD. IF YOU ARE USING LEATHER THAT IS MORE THAN 2MM THEN SCORE OR GAUGE OUT THE SCORE LINE TO HELP THE LEATHER TO CREASE. PRESS THE FOLD DOWN AND RUN A BONE FOLDER OVER THE FOLD TO SET THE CREASE.





Adding the strap attachments

DAMPEN AND SET THE FOLDS IN THE TAB AS ABOVE. MAKE TWO SLITS ON THE FOLD OF THE BACK PIECE (THE ONCE WITH THE POCKET) AND THREAD THE TAB THROUGH, FOLD OVER AND EASE UNTIL UNTIL 2CM OF FOLD IS LEFT OUT ON THE RIGHT SIDE. IF YOU ARE USING KEEPERS THREAD THESE IN PLACE NOW. TAPE THE TAB DOWN AND PUNCH OUT STITCH HOLES OR RIVET IN PLACE.





Stitching

STITCH THE POCKET ONTO THE FRONT PANEL. STITCH THE TABS ONTO THE BACK PANEL. TAPE THE 2 PEICES TOGETHER ENSURING THE HOLES ARE LINED UP, LACE, WHIP STITCH OR SADDLE STTICH TOGETHER.









Making a toggle

MAKE UP THE TOGGLE - LIGHT DAMPEN THE UNDERSIDE OF THE LEATHER, START FROM THE WIDEST PART AND TIGHTLY ROLL UP UNTIL THERE IS APPROX 2.5CM OF THE TRIANGLE LEFT. PUNCH A LARGE HOLE THROUGH THE CENTRE AND THREAD THE REMAINING END THROUGH AND PULL TIGHT. LEAVE TO DRY.





Adding a fastening, and strap

STITCH YOUR BUTTON, TOGGLE, TO THE FRONT PANEL POCKET (THIS LAYER ONLY!) ADD A LOOP OF LEATHER ON THE TOP OF THE BACK FLAP TO FASTEN AROUND THE TOGGLE.

FOR OUR STRAPS WE PLAITED CORD/THIN LONG STRIPS DAMPENED AND KNOTTED THROUGH THE STRAP TABS.





Customising

ADD COLOUR, FRINGING, BEADS, ADDITIONAL POCKETS, BUTTONS, CONCHOS OR SURFACE PATTERN DESIGN SUCH AS TOOLING TO MAKE YOUR BAG UNIQUE.



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