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## Block Printing

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All materials can be picked up at art stores such as Artist and Craftsman, Blick or easily ordered online. The links below are provided so you can see exactly what the instructor recommends. We will go over this list the first class.

### Inks

*You will be provided with Colored Speedball oil-based inks for this class (black and primaries). [Aqua](#) inks can be used as a soy based non-toxic alternative if you'd prefer. Both inks stain and it is recommended to bring an apron or old t-shirt.*

### Tools

- [Unmounted linoleum block, 12x12](#) to start  
Other blocks, size/material your preference: wood, linoleum, sintra,
- Carving Tools: some suggestions:

For Linoleum and just starting out:

[Speedball lino cutter with interchangeable gauges](#)

Sharper tools for carving wood:

[Namisei Moku Hanga To Set of 4: \(3mm V, 3mm U, 4.5mm U, 7mm U\) from McClain's](#),  
[Mikisyo PowerGrip Carving tool set \(amazon\)](#) or individual gouges in the size you prefer

- "Found" materials to make marks on the block: nails, screws, needles, scrapers,...
- [Yasutomo Bamboo barren, small](#) or [Blick Economy Baren](#) or large, flattish spoon
- [Speedball soft rubber brayer 4"](#)
- [Speedball water-soluble block printing ink, 1.25oz tube](#), [ink retarder](#) for water based inks
- [Ink Knife](#)
- Metal ruler or straight edge [18"](#)
- [Razor Scraper \(with blades\)](#)
- [Black Sharpies](#)
- Pencil
- Tape: blue painters tape, [artist's tape](#), or masking tape

### Paper

- Paper for Printing: Masa, Kozo/Mulberry paper, [9x12 pack of 25 unbleached Mulberry](#)
- [Newsprint Sheets](#)
- [9x12" Palette paper](#)



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- [Tracing Paper](#)

### **Optional Supplies**

- Small sketch pad (a place for ideas and take notes)
- Apron or old t-shirt
- Decorative papers
- Exacto knife or utility knife
- Sandpaper, fine
- Wood filler

\*To find all supplies (not including carving tools) go to  
<https://www.dickblick.com/myaccount/wishlist/rr17arudl2a11/>