

VisArts Linocut Intermediate/Advanced Supplies List

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Students will be responsible for bringing in their own carving tools, carving surface, paper, and any supplies they will need to transfer their image to block! (The instructor will have some permanent markers, graphite transfer paper, etc. but please plan on bringing in everything you need/prefer.)

Here are some suggestions of great places/brands/tools to buy:

Local to Richmond, VA

Plaza Art- Art Supply Store. Good source of linoleum, inks, great paper, basic supplies

Woodcraft- 9862 W Broad St, Glen Allen, VA 23060. Carving tools! Go try some out in-person

Art Supply Stores (Online)

Blick Art Materials

www.dickblick.com

This site has EVERYTHING for all artists. Reasonably priced bulk goods, fairly quick shipping.

McClain's Printmaking Supplies

www.imcclains.com

My #1 resource for very high quality carving tools, paper, inks, tutorials. Huge variety, can get very specialized.

Jackson Art

<https://www.jacksonsart.com/>

A little more specific than Blick, a little less specialized than McClain's!

Carving Tools

*The **Speedball Carving tool** is the minimum of what you'll need to carve an Intermediate/Advanced project! ~\$20

<https://www.dickblick.com/products/speedball-linoleum-cutters/>

*If looking to step things up, my favorite Linoleum Carvers are the **Pfeil Swiss Made Linocut Tools** (U-Gouge & V-Gouge)- ~\$34-\$45 a piece

Available for local purchase from Woodcraft.

I recommend buying individual tools and building your own set of sizes you like.

My preferred sizes are:

Small V- 12/1

Medium U- 11/3

Large U- 9/5

Small U-11/1

Giant U- 5/8

One more Midsized V of your liking

It helps to see these in person, I recommend a visit to Woodcraft!! But also available at-

<https://www.jacksonsart.com/en-us/pfeil-linoleum-and-block-cutter-set-of-6-tools-set-b>

Flexcut Beginners Palm Set- Larger sized tools for bigger sized projects! ~76.95 for the whole set

<https://www.dickblick.com/products/flexcut-beginners-palm-set/>

Paper

I buy all of my paper from either Plaza Art or McClain's.

Plaza is a great source for heavier cotton rag papers, colorful paper, & basic mulberry papers. McClain's has gorgeous wash papers at various price points as well as some Western Printmaking Papers (cotton rag).

My favorites are:

BFK Rives

Fabriano Rosaspina

McClains Bamboo- Warm White

Kitakata- Natural

Ink

My absolute favorite ink:

Speedball Supergraphic water-miscible oil based ink. ~\$29.49 a tin, less for a tube.

Great for easy studio clean up, less toxic, and far superior to water based inks on the market.

Variety of colors available!

I will have limited quantities of some inks, but please bring your own tin.

Available at Plaza Art or-

<https://www.dickblick.com/items/speedball-professional-relief-ink-supergraphic-black-16-oz/>

Linoleum Blocks

Choose the size, price, quantity that works for you! Easy carve, Moo Carve, and softer carving blocks are not able to go through the printing press (they flatten under the pressure), but any other mounted/unmounted linoleum will work just fine.

Some examples of good stuff to buy-

[https://www.dickblick.com/products/blick-golden-cut-linoleum/?](https://www.dickblick.com/products/blick-golden-cut-linoleum/?fromSearch=%2Fsearch%2F%3Fsearchword%3Dlinoleum)

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Any linoleum Plaza has in stock!

Other things you may need:

Graphite Transfer Paper

Permanent Markers

Masking Tape

FlexCut SlipStrop

Paper Towels

Gel Pens

Pencils