HOW TO LINO PRINT

Lino Printing Equipment
See the equipment needed for lino printing below:

- Linoleum Block
- Linocut Tools
- Roller (Brayer)
- Printing Ink
- Paper
- Baren or Wooden Spoon
- Ink Plate or Glass Slab
- Cleaning Supplies

Design Your Image
Sketch your image on paper. Remember, the final print will be a mirror image of your design, so adjust any text or directional elements accordingly.
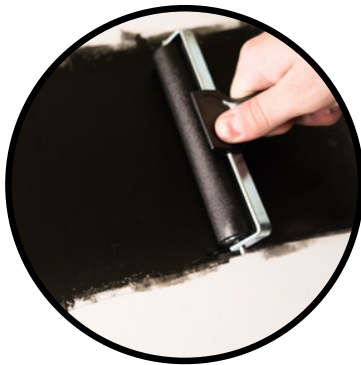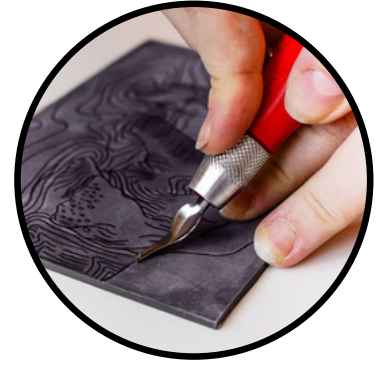

Prepare the Linoleum
Transfer your design onto the lino block. You can redraw your design directly on the linoleum or use carbon paper to transfer it. Make sure the linoleum is securely fixed to your workspace to prevent it from moving while you transfer.

Carve the Design
Select the right tools for carving, such as different sizes of gouges. Carve out the negative spaces in your design, the areas where you don't want ink to appear. The uncarved, raised areas will form the printed image.
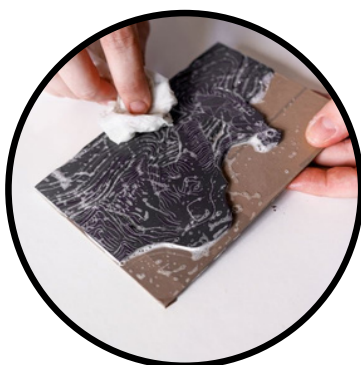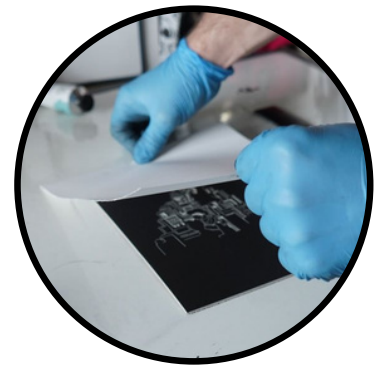

Apply Ink
Roll out the ink on a smooth, flat surface using an ink roller until it's evenly distributed on the roller. Apply ink to the block by rolling the inked roller over the surface of your carved linoleum block, ensuring complete and even coverage.

Printing
Prepare your paper by placing it on the inked block, ensuring it stays in place. Apply pressure using a baren or wooden spoon in a circular motion, or a roller, to evenly transfer the ink. Use lightweight paper (75gsm). Carefully peel off the paper to reveal your print.

Clean Up
If you don't want to make any more copies of your print, clean your tools and workspace immediately after printing to prevent the ink from drying and hardening. Use soapy water or a specific cleaning solvent recommended for the type of ink you used.

Discover Lino Printing with Hickman Design
This brief guide to lino printing has been created by Hickman Design. For a more detailed look at the process, scan the QR code and visit our detailed guide. You can also find all the necessary equipment in our shop, use the 10% off discount code: **info-10**

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