

Pocosin Arts School of Fine Craft

Materials and Equipment

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This looks like a lot, but it's really just: wood, a way to make marks in wood, dry pigments, two binders, a clear topcoat, sandpaper, and miscellaneous things to make mixing and cleanup easier.

Specify Quantity per Student	Item/Tool/ Material	Supplier/ Website/ & Item Number
4	<p>Pieces of smooth wood, approximately between 4" x 4" - 6" x 6" square</p> <p>-or-</p> <p>Pieces of smooth wood turned on a lathe, between 3" - 6" diameter.</p>	<p>These can be simply cut from a board, or just scrap. Please choose a wood without coarse open grain. Best options: cherry, maple, basswood, poplar, pine (better yet, whatever grows in your area!)</p> <p>-or-</p> <p>Alternately, if you are (or know) a woodturner, I love to work on smooth shaped surfaces! Same best wood options as above.</p>
2 (or more)	100g jar of Powdered Pigment	<p>Choose contrasting colors, e.g., red-orange/turquoise, white/black, pistachio/terracotta, etc...</p> <p>I love www.earthpigments.com! https://www.earthpigments.com/dry-powder-pigments/</p>
Small can/bag	Binders: Microcrystalline Wax and Milk Paint Base	<p>1 small can of Renaissance Wax</p> <p>-and-</p> <p>1 2oz sample (or larger) of Milk Paint Powder Base</p>
Varies	One or more of the following options for creating surface texture in wood:	<p>A pyrography unit, pen, and knife-shaped tip. I like Colwood. I use the Olympiad, but it's a little pricey. Razortip is good too. If you go this route, choose a package that fits your budget. Generally the more powerful, the better, but you can get interesting results with any of these.</p> <p>and/or</p>

		<p>Small woodcarving tools, e.g., a set of palm woodcarving tools or really any carving tools (smaller the better). Sharpness is key if you want clean lines!</p> <p>and/or</p> <p>An assortment of ways to make dents or cuts in wood. E.g., a hammer and large nail, A sharpened screwdriver, awl/punch, hammer and steel wire, chisels, large drywall screws, files or rasps (best on hardwood), anything that will create an interestingly-shaped dent in wood when hit with a hammer, etc...</p>
Varies	Shellac	<p>A small can of clear shellac, and a can of denatured alcohol (both available at hardware stores in the US).</p> <p>-or-</p> <p>If you want more control, I'll be demoing making your own shellac: Any of the Dewaxed blonde shellac flakes listed here, and a can of denatured alcohol (both available at hardware stores in the US).</p>
1 or more sheets of each	Sandpaper in 4 grits: 120, 180, 220 or 240, 320 or 400	I couldn't find a link for an assortment of just these grits, but here's a pretty cheap one with much more .
1 or 2	Small pointed paint brushes	Something cheap is fine, like this .
1	Palette Knife	I like them in this shape , but any will do.
2 or 3	Cloth rags	Can be an old t-shirt and a pair of scissors.

