

# Hand Carved Wooden Stamps

## Things you may need:

Your wood block ~ ink pad, ink or paint ~ paper, fabric, card, item to print on ~ sponge or paint roller, ~ old towel, cloth, ~ Cleaning items.

## Directions for use:

(Note: If using ink pad, simply dip press on ink pad and then press to paper.)

1. Find a nice flat, smooth area for your paper/item that you are going to print on. *Sometimes the print will work better if you have a towel or sponge under it to give a bit of bounce (you will have to experiment). I use a magazine :)*
2. Apply some ink (or paint) to your roller (or sponge). *Be careful not to have too much ink/paint on your roller/sponge as you will clog the carved out areas of your wood block.*
3. Coat the wood block with an even layer of ink (or paint).
4. Press the inked wood block onto the paper with your hands using even pressure. *(Sometimes hitting the block can help distribute the paint)*
5. Carefully lift the wood block off the paper (or printed item) and admire your beautiful block print work.

## Cleaning:

When finished clean off all excess paint. I wash my stamps under warm water. Dry your stamp straight away.

### **Extra tip:**

*The internet is a great tool for information. If you are looking for further techniques try an internet search on 'wood block printing techniques' or similar. You Tube is great for visual demonstrations.*

**Happy Stamping!**  
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