



Discover the Art of Leathercraft



Hi, my name is Chris Fischer and I'm a leather goods designer, craft enthusiast, and owner of www.fischerworkshops.com. I'd like to invite you join me at F.A.B.R.I.C. Tempe, Az for a live workshop making my popular minimalist wallet design. See details below...



Minimalist Wallet Making Class



In this 5 hour course learn the basic skills to construct a this wallet made from pre-cut premium vegetable tanned leathers. In addition to this you'll also learn about:

- How to select leather types and thickness
- How to hand stitch leather
- How to professionally finish leather edges
- + many other helpful tips to advance your skill





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Course Details:

Date of Workshops: January 26, 2019

Time: 10:30am

Workshop Price: \$15 material fee
\$15 class fee
Total: \$30USD
Additional fees apply for Tools...

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Required Tools For This Course:

Please Note - If you already have these tools you are welcome to bring your own. If not, I have provided a comprehensive list of each tool here and its function. You can purchase these tools through a local leather supply retailer (such as Tandy Leather \$\$\$), online \$\$, or you can pay the price listed here and I can order the tools for you and provide them to you on the day of the workshop. If you'd like to have Fischer Workshops purchase tools for you please make purchase by 1/17/2019. This will allow suppliers sufficient time to prepare requested tools by 1/26.

Purchase Link: <https://www.fischerworkshops.com/shop.html#!/Workshops>

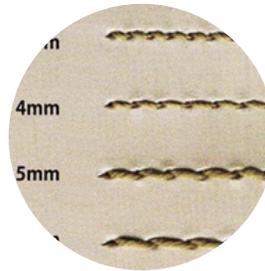
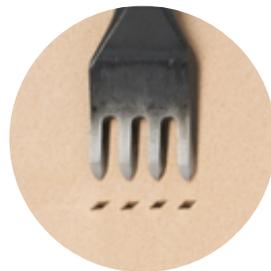


Diamond Hole Stitching Chisels (1/2/4/6 prong chisels - 4mm between each stitch) - 4 chisels in total

Description - A stitching chisel is a tool used for punching stitching holes into leather in preparation for stitching.

Tool Function - Since leather is a thicker and harder material, you'll need to 1st punch stitching holes before you can stitch together your project. The stitching chisel was made exactly for this purpose. To meet a variety of demands each chisel is lined with 1 or more prongs (teeth). When the chisel is punched through the leather it leaves a diamond shaped hole that we can later stitch through. All the prongs on the chisel are spaced evenly apart for perfect placement. Pair this with a 1 and 2-pronged stitching chisel for punching holes around curved areas.

Cost - \$16



Edge Beveler size #2

Description - The beveler is a precision tool used to bevel and round off the edges of leather in preparation to be burnished.

Cost - \$13





Required Tools Continued:



Stitching Horse - (Recommended, but not required)

Description – Stitching leather requires both hands to be free to stitch, so the function of the stitching horse is to hold your project while you stitch.

Features - high quality, durable and practical. The wrench can adjust the tightness and move up and down to suit any thickness.

Specifications

Condition: 100% Brand new.

Material: Solid beech wood

Color: As shown

Size: 40cm x 44cm (16inch * 17.5inch)

Cost - \$40



Wood Slicker

Description - Edge Slickers are used to hand burnish vegetable tanned leather edges and backsides. The different rungs on the slicker accommodate for a variety of leather thicknesses. This edge slicker can also be used as a creaser and for burnishing the inside of leather.

Size - This tool measures 16.5cm in length, 2.5cm at its widest point. The burnishing channels measure 4mm, 5mm, 7mm and 13mm at the widest points.

Cost - \$2



Required Tools Continued:



Rubber Cutting Board

Description – This rubber board is used to protect your work, stitching chisels and other punching tools. This board also helps to reduce the force of bounce, while working as a buffer. The board will also weaken the noise caused from punching. Various usage for leather craft / handcrafted projects.

Cost - \$9



Wood Mallet

Description - This durable wood mallet is made from Japanese Beech wood and is an excellent and affordable tool for most leathercrafting needs.

Specifications - 7-3/4-INCH Unfinished OAK Wood Mallets Wood Hammer.

Cost - \$5



Wing Divider

Description - In leathercraft the wing divider is used to mark stitching lines and circular patterns along the leather.

Cost - \$10





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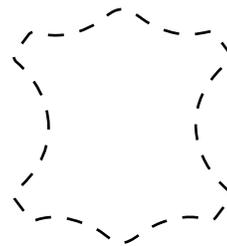
Additional supplies and materials include:

- Vegetable tanned leather
- Contact Cement
- Denim or canvas sheets
- Sand paper
- Mink oil
- Backside finish
- Thread
- x2 harness needles

Cost - \$15

Tool Kit Prices:

- Delux - All Tools (required & recommended): \$110.00 USD
- Standard - Required tools only: \$70 USD
- Basic Material Cost - (Mandatory fee): \$15USD



Workshop Pictures



Local media visits the shop for some pictures



Vegetable Tanned Leather



What is Vegetable tanned leather?

Vegetable tanned leather is an eco-friendly and natural leather resource. No environmentally harmful chemicals are used to tan VTL, but only natural elements found in nature that are harmless to people and the environment.

VTL has a very pleasant fragrance with a natural rich earthy scent that doesn't overwhelm.

It's extremely versatile -

VTL is the only leather type that images can be carved and tooled into the surface of the leather to transform this material into literal works of art. It can be wetted and molded into any shape or form you want.

Magnificent statues and pieces of art have been molded with leather throughout the centuries, such as in the image to the right.

VTL can also be stained or dyed to any color you want.

Leather takes on beautiful properties as it ages and antiques - As leather is exposed to natural elements, such as sunlight, moisture, and oils from our hands, over time the leather will take on a beautiful natural patina tan that only adds to its beauty and look.



Sadly to say about 90% of leather being tanned today is Chrome tanned. Manufacturers prefer chrome tanned leathers because they can tan leather very quickly and cheaply, but at the expense of people and the environment. So for this reason and more Fischer Workshops works exclusively with vegetable tanned leathers.

Perfect Your Craft...





A Few Reviews



AMAZING work....you earn every penny you charge for such beauty!

Heather T.



Superb bag, your skills are excellent and the design is incredibly stylish!

Paul L.

Top notch work and craftsmanship!



Bruce C.

This's gotta be some of the best leather work how-to videos on YouTube, seriously. Even if you don't work leather it makes you want to! Fine, fine work sir!!!

Vin W.



Man! Absolutely beautiful!! I've just begun my journey to learn leatherwork. Thank you so much for your video's.

Brady M.

Absolutely mesmerizing to watch! What beautiful craftsmanship!



Emma E.

This's gotta be one of the best leather work how to video on YouTube, seriously. Even if you don't work leather it makes you want to! Fine, fine work sir!!!

Vinwelder



Congratulations on the excellent work, research and patience. Mostly, it looks very handsome! Very very beautiful!

Dan F.

