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Stitch Marker Case

Thank you for downloading our guide to creating your own stitch marker cases. I hope you enjoy creating these handy little cases.

Leather Selection

The leather used on the stitch marker cases in the video is 1.5mm veg tanned leather, this is the ideal thickness to use as it hits the sweet spot of not too thick or thin. I personally prefer veg tanned leather but you can also make this case in the same fashion with a 1.5mm chrome tanned hide.

Veg tanned hides in this thickness can be sourced from the following suppliers*

[Metropolitan leather](#)

[AA Crack & Sons](#)

[Buy Leather Online](#)

[Weaver leather supply](#)

[Buckle Guy](#)

*There are more leather suppliers you can use but these are ones that I have used in the past or know them to be a reliable source of materials.

Instructions

Now the printable patterns are aimed specifically at the 3mm and 5mm diamond irons the I purchased from [Abbey England](#). If you set matches them in size then ideal, you can get printing and making your case, if not then below is the step by step guide on how to create your own case for your individual markers.

1. Work out how high your pocket/slots need to be. I like mine to have at least 20mm of space from the top of the marker to the top of the pocket. For my diamond chisels this was 70mm.
2. Now we need to know how large the slots need to be, measure the widest part of your marker and then add 6-10 mm to this size, now that is only a guide and thicker irons may require a bit of extra room adding to them. Measure all your markers that are going to be included in this case.
3. Once you have your measurements add them together and we can get a rough idea of the overall width of your case. Now with your chosen leather, straight edge the bottom and one side and leave long (so we can add more room if needed to each slot).
4. Now we have our leather roughly cut out we will need to use a stitch groove and groove a line across the leather where our turn needs to be to create the front pockets. To make sure you get this groove in the correct location, start the turn and with a ruler mark where the top of the pocket will be, so on mine the pockets want to be 70mm tall, when I have that desired height I mark at the top where this will sit and also right at the bottom of the turn – this will usually be about 2-3mm off your overall pocket size to take into account the thickness of the leather. Now groove your line.
5. Next, glue your pocket down on your straight edge (along the one edge only). Set your dividers to your stitching width and stitch mark along this line, with 2 stitch over the top edge of the pockets to secure the top. Now stitch this line.
6. We will now create each pocket as we go to ensure we get the right fit. Use your bone folder to remove any excess glue from your first stitch line and place your first stitch marker into

the top case as close to that first line of stitching as possible. Now mark with your thumb where you think your stitching can go and double check this with your measurements from earlier. If you want, you can do test pieces first with some scrap leather to ensure you have the correct size.

7. Once you are happy with the size use a set square and mark a line down the case, to about 10mm short of the edge and then stitch mark and stitch.
8. Continue this until all your markers have pockets to sit in.
9. When you have all your pockets stitched in, get your dividers (they should still be at your stitching width from earlier) and hold them up to the last stitch line and mark where they sit. Now draw a line that distance away (you can measure the overall width from this if it is easier and mark that on) and cut out.
10. Now with your markers in their slots, bend over the leather to form the flap, mark where you want this to sit and trim.
11. Now slightly dampen down the turn area of the top flap (you can remove your markers now) and leave over night with some weights on to help the leather keep its shape.

That's is! You are all done and now your stitch markers have a nice cosy home for when they are not in use.

I would love to see your creations! You can tag me on Instagram I am @jhleather or you can join our [discord group](#) and post in the show off your work conversation.