

Printing without a Press - Gel Plate Printing - Materials List

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Gel Plate- Gelli Arts™ or Gel Press™ plates: (NOT speedball)

Minimum 6 x 6" but 5 x 7" or 8 x 10 are good. Generally available at large craft stores or online: Blick (<https://www.dickblick.com/products/gelli-arts-gel-printing-plates/>), Michaels, as well as Amazon or direct from the manufacturers at Gelli Arts (<https://www.gelliarts.com>) and Gel Press (<http://gelpress.com>)

Brayer- 4" Speedball SOFT rubber speedball. Gelli Arts also makes one that some like.

Acrylic Paint- Just about any fluid or tube acrylic paint, student or professional grade. Slow-drying paints are fine such as Golden Open, they just take a bit longer between steps.

Papers to print on - Copy paper, plain photo paper (not glossy) pad of sketch paper, tracing paper, bristol, watercolor or printmaking paper (ex: Rives BFK). Any other papers: rice paper, tissue papers, deli papers and parchment papers (available on Amazon or Blick for example). Pre-printed papers - maps, sheet music, magazine pages, papers from the recycle bin, etc. etc.

Old sketch book for rolling off excess paint
(These make excellent collage material!)

Cleaning: Rags or Paper towels, baby wipes, rubbing alcohol or hand sanitizer.

Masking Tape to secure paper to table

OPTIONAL:

Baren for rubbing the paper on the plate.

Acrylic markers like Posca Pens, gel pen, pan pastels, etc.

Tape to secure paper to table

I will be bringing some mark making tools, but if you have anything to make a mark that is not too sharp such as: String or thread, ribbon, empty thread spool, silicon potholders or sink mats, pieces of window screening, stencils, combs, bubble wrap, Q tips

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