



Paper Embossing

Make your own beautifully embossed paper using Schjerning Relief Base and Relief Medium.

The embossed paper can be used for decorating e.g. Chinese notebooks, cards, scrapbooks, or painting canvases.

It is easy and great fun, and the procedure can be split into three phases as described on the following pages.

- 1. Paper embossing using a form**
- 2. Gluing embossed paper onto e.g. a book**
- 3. Patination of embossed paper**

You need:

- A suitable embossing form
e.g. a grid, a grater, a basket, building blocks, stamp blocks – anything with a pattern
- Schjerning Relief Medium
- Schjerning Relief Base
- A soft brush
- Soft paper, e.g. napkins or kitchen roll
- A spray bottle with water
- Schjerning Acryl Satin or Art Metal, if you want patination
- Schjerning Glossy Lacquer 5390 (Slutfernis), if you want a glossy surface after patination



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Paper embossing using a form

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- Soft paper, e.g. napkins or kitchen
- A spray bottle with water



1 Find a suitable embossing form. Here, we are using a cast iron dish mat.



2 First layer – place a paper napkin on the embossing form.



3 Spray with water.



4 Gently tap with a brush.



5 Repeat the process with another two layers. Three layers of napkins in all.



6 Using the brush, tap thoroughly on the last layer.



7 Spray with Relief Medium before making an imprint of the embossing form.



8 Gently remove the embossing from the form.



9 Turn the embossing over = finish side. Spray with Relief Medium again. Leave to dry.

The embossing now needs to dry completely. Maybe press it lightly to keep it flat.

The following page shows how to glue the embossing onto an item – e.g. a book as shown.



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Gluing embossed paper onto e.g. a book

You need:

- An item e.g. Chinese notebook, card, scrapbook, or painting canvas.
- Schjerning Relief Base



1 Time for glueing. Use ReliefBase.



2 Spread a thick layer of ReliefBase onto the item.



3 Add a thick layer of ReliefBase to the back of the embossing.



4 Stick the embossing onto the item.



5 Press the embossing firmly into Relief Base.



6 Integrate the embossing with Relief Base around the edges.

For patination and last finish – [see next page.](#)



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Patination of embossed paper

You need:

- Schjerner Art Metal
- Schjerner Satin Acryl
- Schjerner Glossy Lacquer 5390 (Slutfernis), if you want a glossy surface after patination



1 Book with embossing is now ready for patination.



2 Start with black Acryl Satin at the base of the embossing. Wipe excess black colour off the top with a cloth.



3 Paint with Acryl Satin – add only a bit of paint at a time.



4 Decorate with Art Metal – here, silver is used.



5 Close-up of patinated embossing. Add glossy lacquer 5390 to finish.

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Finished book with embossing and patination.

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