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One of the best things about LC Microstencils is that they can be used as stamps for polymer clay. This way you can make a pretty realistic embossed leather impression. In this tutorial, I will show you how to make a keychain. Of course, you can use the same method to make bangles, pendants, earrings,...

Materials & Tools:

- Brown polymer clay
- [Machine](#)
- [LC Shape Plate 03](#)
- Scalpel
- [LC Microstencil](#) of your choice
- Liquid clay
- Letter stamps
- Sandpaper
- Divider (compasses) or stitching chisels
- Micro drill
- Carving tools
- Black acrylic paint
- Extra fine steel wool
- 2 needles
- Black thread
- Hollow rivet (and super glue)
- Keyring

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Run LC Microstencil with a sheet of conditioned brown clay through the machine to make a very clear impression.



Cut the shape using LC Shape Plate and a scalpel. I choose the second biggest shape. Make a hole for the rivet and bake according to the manufacturer's instructions.



Now, let's make the other side. You can repeat the first step, but I decided to make a key-tag with the name. Again cut the same shape and make a hole for the rivet. Apply liquid clay and glue it to the baked piece. Stamp your letters. Clean the edges and bake according to the manufacturer's instructions.



Sand the edges. Create stitch marks using stitching chisels. You can use compasses to make these marks in the perfect distance apart. Then drill the holes using a micro drill.



Groove stitching lines using carving tools.



Paint it with black acrylic color. Let dry. Rub with fine steel wool, so the paint stays only in stays in embossed areas.



Begin stitching. Use two needles (one on either end of the thread). Sew through the first hole and make sure the lengths of thread are even on each side. Sew through the same hole with both needles from opposite sides. Lock the stitch, when you finish your stitching.



Finally, glue the rivet in place.



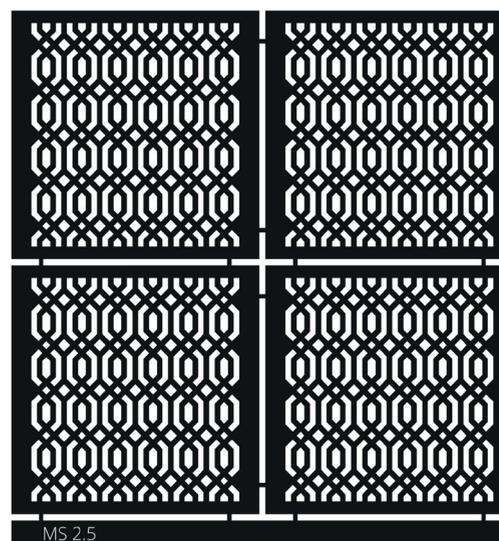
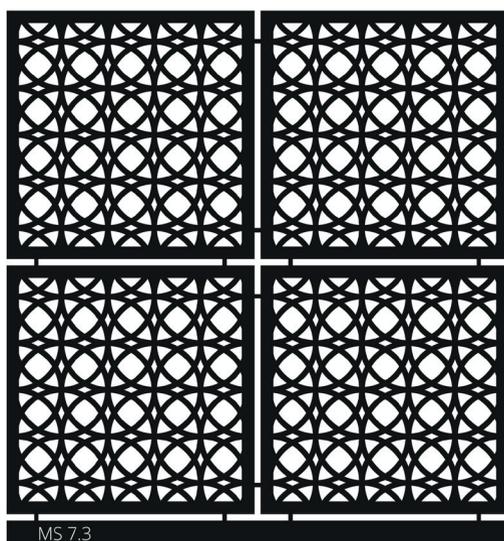
Attach the keyring and it is done.

LC MICRO STENCILS

LC Microstencils are thin patterns made of heat-resistant cardboard which you can integrate into 3D project, you can draw on it a simple color plan using [LC GLASSYMER](#), fill the empty gaps with different colors. These stencils are heat-resistant and were designed for a very efficient, yet simple decorating of polymer clay.

FEATURES:

- Heat-resistant
- Patterns can be cured in an oven with polymer clay.
- Can be used only once (integrated into a project) or reused several times times.
- May be rolled, cut, glued, painted, backed.
- Dozens of different patterns available for every taste.
- Can be used in dozens of different projects - from making impressions and backfilling to creating complex 3D pieces with stained glass technique.
- Material: Heat resistant cardboard. Paper pattern weight 250g/m².
- Panel size 80 mm (3.12" x 3.12") Pattern size 35 mm (1.37" x 1.37")



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