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# Papermaking With Garden Plants & Common Weeds



## Synopsis

Make exquisite papers right in your own kitchen. With a few pieces of basic equipment and a small harvest of backyard weeds, you can easily create stunningly original handcrafted papers. Helen Heibert's illustrated step-by-step instructions show you how easy it is to blend and shape a variety of organic fibers into professional stationery, specialty books, and personalized gifts. You'll soon be creatively integrating plant stalks, bark, flower petals, pine needles, and more to add unique colors and textures to your paper creations.

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## Customer Reviews

Helen Heibert's 'Papermaking with Garden Plants and Common Weeds' is a richly illustrated guide to papermaking. It takes you through the whole process the making of the tools, to harvesting, treating the fibers, couching paper and using the paper for different projects. There is never just one way of doing things, but a basic instruction and then suggestions for several other ways of doing the same. Helen Heibert is conscious of safety and points out all things dangerous and risky and how to protect yourself. This book is a joy to read and a great handbook for making paper.

This book explains in detail a nice history of papermaking and the focus of the book is primarily plant fiber techniques, which is very educational. But it also describes various art techniques, such as how to do a collage with handmade paper, and using various vegetable fibers, such as carrots for making paper. If you want to learn a lot about papermaking and really get into mixing plant fiber and

use dyes and different recipes , then you will like this book.

This is one of several books I have by this author. In fact, I've ordered pulp from her through a mutual contact. Helen is extremely knowledgeable in the art of hand papermaking. She knows her stuff and knows how to put it down on "paper" with explicit and easy to follow instructions. Highly recommend for anyone interested in hand made paper from fiber.

This book is a joy to read and look at. It is delightful in every way. The hints and tips are wonderful and the illustrations and photographs are easy on the eyes. The information is excellent and surprising . Im loving this and highly recommend it.

I like this book, but I do wish that it had a few more recipes in it. It's interesting to see what kinds of basic everyday plants can be used in making paper.

this is a great book and full of information for the advanced paper making artist. I have used and plan on getting into the more complex projects. I've got all kinds of stuff drying and almost ready to incorporate. This book is really helping me think "outside the box" Helen Hiebert is undoubtedly one of the most creatively gifted people.

I bought this for my crafty girlfriend, who has some experience with paper making and book binding. She tells me it's full of new and original ideas, and she's anxious to try some of them out- just as soon as I make her a new deckle and mold!

This book has recipes for making paper from plants, and a wealth of information about that process. But I'm a little bit disappointed in the selection of plants in the recipes. It says "Garden Plants and Common Weeds". To me, common weeds are like, dandelions. While it does say that you can attempt to make paper from pretty much any plant matter, I don't have many of the plants listed in the recipes in my yard or in my neighborhood. I guess I'll have to plant some!

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