Castlewood Makerspace Makers Moment Photo Wood Transfer

How to transfer a printed photo onto wood



I recommend reading through the entire tutorial before starting

Materials Needed

- ☐ Ink-jet or laser-jet printed photo of your choice
- ☐ Mod Podge Photo Transfer Medium
- Photo Finish Spray Glossy or Matte
- Newspaper or cardboard
- Foam Brush
- Patience
- ☐ Wood



Step 1

Choose the photos you wish to transfer. If you want it to look exactly like the photo you will want to reflect the photo in the edit tool on your computer.

** This step is especially important if you are printing words.



Step 2

Once printed, cut the image down to size so it fits inside the wood.



Step 3

Lay the photo up and apply the photo transfer medium to the image, use the brush to spread the medium.

You want the image to be obscured completely with the medium.



Step 4

Now that it's flat here's where you will need the patience to wait 24 hrs to cure. Set it aside

If you have more images to transfer you can repeat the process.



Step 5

Lay down some newspaper or cardboard as this process will be a little messy.

You will also need a cup of water.



Step 6

Wet your paper on the wood and rub it off.

Be very patient and careful.

You don't want to be rough because you may remove the image.



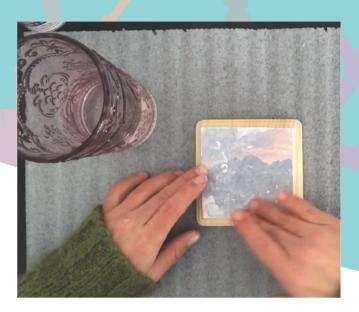
Step 7

After a few rubs, let it dry for a few minutes and come back to see how it looks, if it still has white paper residue on itcontinue to wet and rub the paper off.

Eventually revealing the image without the white fog from the paper.



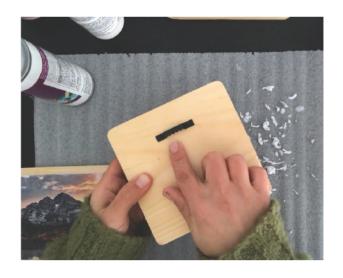
Once you're happy with the look, go ahead and spray one coat of the photo finish and let it dry according to the directions of the bottle.





Step 9

Once dried, you may add wall hangers or let it stand on its own.



Lovely!



Expect a unique vintage look to your image!