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**College of Agricultural, Consumer
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 Cooperative Extension Service
 Extension 4-H Youth Development

Creative Arts



4-H Leather Craft Basics Unit 1 Project – Greentop

100. F-9 (R-18)



Resources:

4-H Leathercraft Basics Unit I Project Book – 100.F-9

4-H Project Record – 300.A-7 (R-18)

Tools you will use:

Camouflage Tool, Pear Shader, Veiner, Seeder, Background Tool, Mallet, Lacing Needle

Tips:

- Attend 4-H Club and Project Club Meetings.
- Complete the Activities included in this project guide.
- Select and care for tools and supplies
- Keep a record of project costs and skills learned.
- Share information through talks, demonstrations and displays.
- Exhibit projects in local fair

4-H Leathercraft Basics is the first book in a series designed to teach 4-H members about Leather-craftsmanship. Unit I is for beginners. Members need little or no previous knowledge of Leathercraft to complete this unit. Members will learn to tool and lace simple projects, but will not carve or use dyes. Activities are included throughout the book that may be completed individually or as a group.

What you will learn:

- The history, sources, structure, tanning techniques, and definitions related to leather and Leathercraft.
- Basic definitions and uses of stamping tools.
- Preparation techniques for leather tooling.
- The basics of cutting out projects (rounders, etc.) from large pieces of leather.
- How to stamp creative designs onto leather projects.
- Basic lacing techniques using pre-punched kits.
- Basic leather finishing.

Suggested Community Service Projects:

- Make coasters for the local senior center.
- Donate supplies & teach basic Leathercraft skills to senior citizens or for an after-school program.
- Make luggage tags for bags donated to children in Foster Care.
- Volunteer to clean leather tack at a local animal shelter or vet's office.

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