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2020 COURSES

Bespoke shoemakers' Carréducker have been teaching handsewn shoemaking since 2006, when they took over training from Cordwainers.

James previously taught at Cordwainers and Deborah was a visiting lecturer in Accessories Design & Marketing at University of the Arts. They have carefully honed their shoemaking courses to offer a variety of courses for beginners and experienced makers alike and now offer pattern, closing and shoemaking.

All Carréducker students receive a 20% discount in the Tool Shed, Carréducker's online shop selling tools, kits and materials.

SHOE SCHOOL

SHOEMAKING EVENING CLASS – 10-week terms

Starting with course notes and a pack of leather, lasts and uppers students are guided through the 200+ steps in the handsewn process to complete a pair of shoes working at their own pace. They can also learn hand lasting, hand welting and Norwegian welt on an evening class. (It usually takes 3 terms to complete a pair of shoes).

Available on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday evenings 6-9pm over 10-week terms.

Up to six students; suitable for beginners.

HANDSEWN SHOEMAKING – 12 days

Starting with course notes, a box of essential tools and a pack of leather, lasts and uppers students are guided through the 200+ steps in the handsewn process to complete a pair of shoes.

Available 1-to-1 or in a small group of up to six students on a scheduled 12-day intensive course. (The scheduled 12-day intensive courses are designed to dovetail with the 4-day last making courses at Lastmakers House – see below). Suitable for beginners

LAST MAKING – LASTMAKERS HOUSE – 4 days

Starting with a rough turn, learn to carve and shape a pair of lasts with skilled craftsmen Steve Lowe and Dominic Casey in Eastbourne on the south coast of England. These courses are designed to dovetail with our scheduled 12-day shoemaking classes.

Up to six students; suitable for beginners

NORWEGIAN WELT – 6 days

Starting with course notes a pair of lasts and uppers, students are guided through preparing and stitching a Norwegian welt before the shoes are sent off to be finished by our skilled cobbler with a Dainite or Commando sole.

Available 1-to-1 and in small groups of up to six students; suitable for beginners

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FIDDLE WAIST / BEVELLED WAIST – 14 days

Starting with course notes, a box of essential tools and a pack of leather, lasts and uppers, students are guided through preparing and stitching a fiddle waist and / or a bevelled waist.

Available 1-to-1 for students with some shoe making experience

PATTERN MAKING FOR BESPOKE SHOES – 5 days

Starting with course notes, bespoke pattern maker Fiona Campbell takes students through taping up a last, making a mean forme and standard and then creating complete patterns for an Oxford, Derby and Slip-on shoe.

Small groups of up to six students; suitable for beginners

CLOSING TECHNIQUES – 3 days

Learn all the techniques involved in closing from beaded edges to seam allowances and stitch techniques. Add an extra two days to make a pair of uppers.

Up to two students; suitable for beginners

AD-HOC COURSES / GROUP AND TEAM BUILDING EXPERIENCES

RECYCLED LEATHER FOB WORKSHOP

Rather than let leather off-cuts go to waste, they can be transformed into a host of useful items.

This workshop shows you how to make a fob - for keys, as a zip pull or a name tag – working with beautiful, natural veg. tanned leather off-cuts. Learn to crease and finish the edges, punch the hole and fix the rivet/keyring and to personalise the fob with your initials.

Small groups of up to 10 people

LEATHER ACCESSORY WORKSHOP

The natural qualities of veg. tanned leathers mean that they age beautifully with use, bringing out the natural properties of the leather.

On these workshops you can make a beautiful leather card case, key fob or dog collar and will learn heat creasing, how to finish the edges, personalise with a hand stamp and saddle stitch.

Small groups of up to eight people

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