

Recreating medieval floor tiles from Titchfield Abbey

9:30am to 4:30pm

Saturday 3 Oct and 5 Dec 2026

Titchfield Abbey and Mountwood Pottery, near Wickham, Hants



This one day course will give you the opportunity to recreate a tile from the renown collection at Titchfield Abbey. The course will start at the Abbey (just a couple of miles from our pottery) to inspect the world-renown pavements. Whilst learning how they were made we will identify a couple of designs to make during the day. During the morning you will work at the pottery to recreate the chosen designs as lino 'stamps' – much quicker than wood carving – and then mount the stamps ready for imprinting.

After lunch you will use the stamps to imprint the designs into locally dug London clay as used at Titchfield Abbey and Winchester Cathedral. You will then inlay the imprinted design with a white clay to complete the design.



Finally we will supply you with some inlaid tiles that have hardened enough for you to scrape away the surplus lighter clay to reveal the final design. You can then choose two of your tiles to be dried and fired at our pottery before they are posted back to you later in the summer.

Age limit: eighteen as working with sharp knives.
Access:- the abbey and the pottery have various steps, door cills etc. Please wear old clothing, as clay can stain some materials, and wear sturdy closed toe footwear.

Tea and coffee supplied; we will offer a hearty soup and bread for lunch – or bring your own.

Price: £85 per person to include all materials. Six places available

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