

# Crimson Peacock

*Seven pages for one week, by hand, in the diary with this cover.*

## READ YOUR COVER

Your cover is cotton, hand block-printed in crimson on an ivory ground: a peacock among leafy branches. The peacock is India's national bird. In many printing families, the person who carved a block and the person who printed with it came from different households.



*mor*  
PEACOCK



*daali*  
BRANCH



*pankh*  
FEATHER

Simplified drawings, not copies of a printer's block.

## THE ONLY RULES

- ◆ One page a day
- ◆ By hand, about ten minutes
- ◆ No rubbing out
- ◆ Nobody else has to read it

*A page written by hand is the one nobody else could have written.*

FROM THE STUDIO, AHMEDABAD

## THIS WEEK

- 01 **WRITE** 10 min Write about the first time you saw a peacock, or the most memorable time. Where were you, and who was with you?
- 02 **DRAW** 10 min Draw a single peacock feather: the long shaft first, then the eye, then the fine lines, slowly.
- 03 **LOOK** 10 min Sit somewhere you can hear birds. Write down every sound you hear in ten minutes, birds or not.
- 04 **WRITE** 10 min The person who carves a block and the person who prints with it are often different people. Write about something you made with someone else's help.
- 05 **MAKE** 10 min Draw a branch across the page and let each leaf hold one word about how you feel today.
- 06 **WRITE** 10 min Describe the outfit that makes you feel like a peacock, and when you last wore it.
- 07 **RETURN** 5 min Turn back through the week and find the page with the most crossings-out. Write one kind sentence beside it.



## TWENTY SHEETS

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