

Mehendi Buti

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

READ YOUR COVER

Your cover is cotton, hand block-printed: a mehendi-green ground with bands of small white buti. A buti is a small motif repeated across cloth, and on a block-printed cover each one is a single press of the block.



buti
SMALL MOTIF



band
BANDS



dots
DOTS

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 last time someone put mehendi on your hands, or you put it on someone else's. What was the occasion?
- 02 **DRAW**
10 min Draw a band of tiny *buti* across the page, as small as you can make them while keeping each one clear.
- 03 **LOOK**
10 min Look at your own hand for a full minute. Then write down everything you noticed: lines, marks, scars, rings.
- 04 **WRITE**
10 min List the people whose hands you would recognise anywhere, and one thing each pair of hands does.
- 05 **MAKE**
10 min Trace your hand on the page and fill it with a pattern, the way mehendi fills a palm, starting from the centre.
- 06 **WRITE**
10 min Write about a wedding you remember for something other than the wedding: a conversation, a meal, a quiet moment.
- 07 **RETURN**
5 min Count the pages you filled this week. Write the number on the first page, with today's date.



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