



Shimpo SR3050: A Heavy Duty Machine

Shimpo's slab roller can produce slabs up to 3 inches thick. The two-roller system evenly distributes pressure on the slab to reduce warping. Dual hand wheels and a thickness indicator provide synchronized fine adjustment and allow you to precisely control the thickness of the slab. The wagon wheel handle provides effortless feeding of clay through the rollers in either direction. The tabletop is 30 x 50 inches, and the table's height is 36".

SR3050 Slab Roller \$895.00

SlabMat

The smooth alternative to canvas: a nonwoven material for pressing slabs without the textured weave of canvas.

- The manufacturer recommends using a blunt steel fettling knife for cutting clay directly on the mat.
- Use cornstarch as a release powder if you find that your clay sticks. Use separate pieces for different colors of clay to avoid contamination.
- For slabs longer than 23" on a slab roller, use two full-length sheets with the clay sandwiched between them.
- To cut SlabMat, use an Exacto or utility knife.
- Store SlabMats flat or loosely rolled (at most).
- You can use SlabMat on one side of the clay and canvas on the other for slabs with smooth and textured sides.



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SMS	Handbuilding 14x16"	\$8.00
SMM	Slab Roller 22x50"	\$28.00
SML	Slab Roller 30x50"	\$46.00
SMMS	Mini Slab Roller 14x50"	\$21.00



So You've Made a Slab. Now What?

CircleMatic Form Finder is a set of 24 circular templates that are flexible, durable, laminated, and great for clay work! The templates' flexibility allows you to see and explore what form you can make from each template. Their durability lets you cut against them when working with clay slabs, and because of the lamination, they can be wiped clean with a damp sponge. Each template is lettered so you can record which templates you used for which forms. The templates encourage experimenting, because you can stack them together to see what arrangement (and what form!) catches your eye before you begin cutting up your slabs. The templates come in a sturdy recloseable bag for easy storage. There are three parts to the set: The green Main Templates have 10 templates, the blue Alternate Templates have 6, and Purple Templates are solid circles that have division lines in quarters and thirds.

CM Circle-Matic Form Finder \$59.95

Top left photo shows the variety of simple shapes the Circle-Matic can make. Bottom left is a bowl assembled and altered from the templates. Standing vase on right is a finished piece begun with Circle-Matic forms.