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INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential instructions for the setup, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your JIAYOFWCHI Basic Etching Machine, Model 01. This all-metal printing press is designed for various artistic techniques, including etching, embossing, block printing, and monotype. Please read this manual thoroughly before use to ensure proper function and longevity of your machine.

SETUP

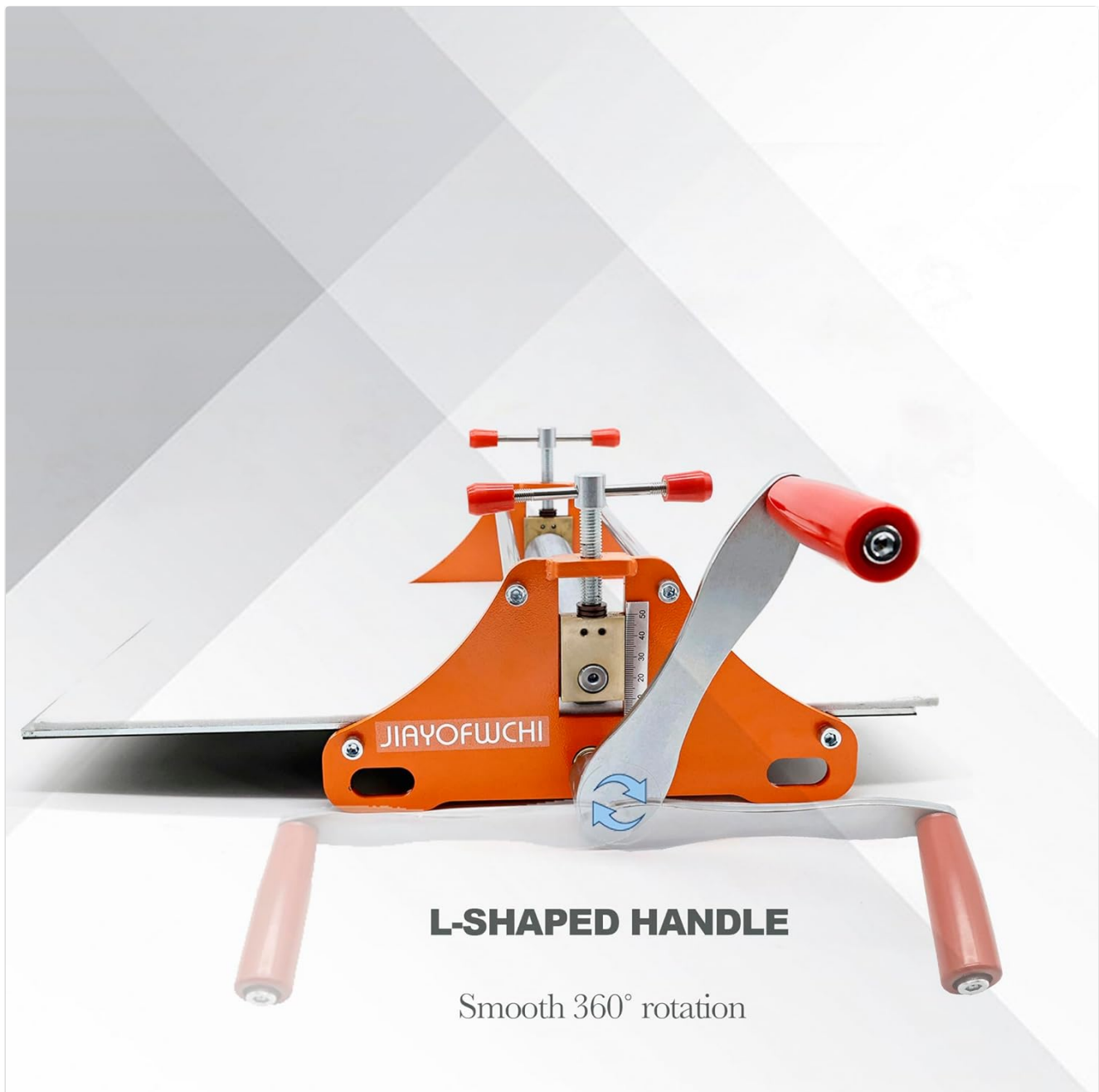
The JIAYOFWCHI Basic Etching Machine is designed for straightforward assembly. The primary component requiring installation is the handle. For stable operation, it is highly recommended to secure the press to a sturdy workbench or table.

Assembly Steps:

1. **Handle Installation:** Attach the L-shaped handle to the designated shaft on the side of the press. Ensure it is securely fastened for smooth rotation.
2. **Securing the Press:** The press features mounting holes on its base. While the machine is heavy, clamping it to a surface prevents movement during operation. Use C-clamps with a narrow jaw, ensuring they are wide enough to fit both the counter and the press. Using two clamps is recommended for optimal stability. Alternatively, you can mount the press to a wooden board using L-brackets and appropriate bolts.



The JIAYOFWCHI Basic Etching Machine, fully assembled and ready for use. Includes a brayer and etching tools.



L-SHAPED HANDLE

Smooth 360° rotation

Detail of the L-shaped handle, designed for smooth 360-degree rotation during operation.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

This etching machine supports a variety of printmaking techniques, including etching, embossing, block printing, and monotype. Its design aims for user convenience, though some techniques may require practice to master.

General Operation:

- 1. Pressure Adjustment:** The press features adjustable screws to control the pressure applied by the rollers. Calibrated markings assist in setting consistent pressure. Note that pressure adjustments may need to be reset for different print runs or techniques.
- 2. Roller Engagement:** The top roller may require a brief 'break-in' period to turn more freely. For some techniques, you may need to manually lift and engage the printing stack (matrix, paper, blankets) with the top roller before cranking.
- 3. Printing Process:** The action of the press is designed to be smooth, allowing for controlled, slow passes over your printing material.

Relief Printing (e.g., Linocuts):

For relief printing, a common method involves arranging your materials as follows:

- Place the inked matrix (e.g., linocut block) face up on the press bed.
- Carefully place your paper on top of the matrix.
- Add a sheet of newsprint to protect your blanket from ink transfer.
- Position the provided pusher blanket over the newsprint.
- Place a rigid plate (e.g., 1/8-inch steel, masonite, or 1/4-inch acrylic) on top of the blanket to help maintain consistent pressure and prevent shifting.

Once the stack is arranged, slowly crank the handle to pass the materials through the rollers. Multiple passes may be required, and adjusting pressure is crucial for optimal results.



Knurling



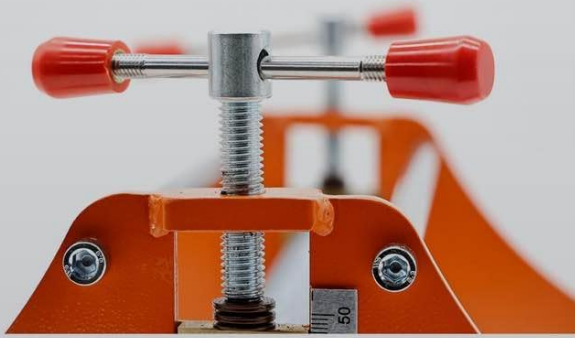
Printmaking



PROFESSIONAL ETCHING PRESS

Suitable for etching, embossing, block printing, monotype

The professional etching press is suitable for various techniques, including printmaking and knurling.



The screw won't come loose

Calibration accuracy



360° rotation is easy to control

Detailed view of the adjustment screws and calibration scale, ensuring precise pressure control for various printing needs.



The press features high-quality steel rollers and a thickened non-slip pad for stable and consistent printing.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the optimal performance and longevity of your JIAYOFWCHI Etching Machine.

- **Lubrication:** After use, it is important to lubricate all articulated parts and moving components, especially the rollers and adjustment screws, to maintain smooth operation and prevent binding.
- **Cleaning:** Clean any ink or debris from the rollers, bed, and other surfaces immediately after use. Use appropriate cleaning agents for your specific inks to prevent buildup and damage.
- **Storage:** Store the press in a dry, clean environment to prevent rust and corrosion.

TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter during the operation of your etching machine.

- **Roller Binding/Difficulty Turning:** If the top roller is difficult to turn or binds, apply a small amount of lubricant

(e.g., WD40) to the moving parts and allow it to work in. The rollers may also require a 'break-in' period.

- **Inconsistent Prints/Slippage:** Inconsistent print quality or smearing can occur due to improper pressure settings or material shifting. Ensure the press is securely clamped to your work surface. For relief printing, using a rigid plate on top of the blanket can help stabilize the printing stack. Experiment with pressure adjustments to find the optimal setting for your materials.
- **Bottom Plate Grip Issues:** If the bottom plate does not grip consistently, leading to materials sliding, ensure the non-slip pad is clean and free of debris. Adjusting pressure and using a stable printing stack (as described in the Operating section) can help.
- **Pressure Adjustment Challenges:** The pressure adjustments can be sensitive. It may be necessary to readjust the pressure for each print, especially if the bottom metal portion shifts. Practice and careful calibration are key.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	JIAYOFWCHI
Model Number	01
Product Dimensions	10.94 x 9.84 x 7.17 inches (27.8 x 25 x 18.2 cm)
Item Weight	25 pounds
Material	All-Metal Structure, High-Quality Steel Rollers
Printing Size (Approx.)	11" L x 10" W x 6.8" H (working area)
First Available	December 16, 2023

PRODUCT SPECIFICATION



Detailed product dimensions: 10.94 inches (27.8 cm) length, 9.84 inches (25 cm) width, and 7.17 inches (18.2 cm) height.

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Specific warranty information for the JIAYOFWCHI Basic Etching Machine, Model 01, is not provided within this manual. For details regarding warranty coverage, claims, or technical support, please contact the manufacturer directly through their official channels or the retailer from whom the product was purchased.