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Stretching process is the soul of canvas print development, without proper stretching artwork can't reach the finishing that makes it remarkable. Different kinds of material required for canvas stretching can be classified in categories. It includes stretching bars, rubber hammer, staple machine, canvas pliers, knife etc. while starting the stretching process always assemble all necessary tools at the place and utilize them according to need. Material needed for stretching canvas on frame are the objects which are used by artist to fix Canvas Prints on wooden frame. canvas can be of linen or cotton, both have their specific property that makes them perfect for stretching on a frame, most people prefer cotton canvas instead of linen because it can be stretched easily. Thickness of canvas should be sufficient so as to avoid ripping off, at the time of stretching. Off- white shade of canvas is preferred by people because print mounted on it appears shiny and does not look faded due to a dark background.

Before start painting on canvas cut it in a definite shape or mount it on frame because after painting it can't be stretched. Buy canvas in different shape and size from market and select the best available brand of it to generate a canvas art which can last for years to come. Quality of canvas is determining factor of a canvas print, in absence of proper material it can lose its shape and colors can also get faded. At commercial level glossy canvas is preferred because it is economical and does not lose its firmness after stretching. For smooth finishing on prints use prime canvas material, it will hold the print tightly. Canvas material comes in different weights; choose a middle weight canvas for painting with acrylic paints.

Stretch bars for canvas stretching are pieces of wood that are joined together to form a base for canvas. They can be purchased from any art store in reasonable price range. Select stretcher bars that are engraved from inside to fix each others head firmly. Buy ready to use stretcher bars and attach them in definite shape for generation of a frame for stretching canvas on it. A typical stretcher bar is in shape of angle and it is the most common shape used by artist for development of Wall Art print for home decoration. If you want to try canvas stretching at home, always read the instructions before starting it, it will save your time.

Always use a flat surface for completion of canvas stretching so as to avoid any bending of the frame or canvas while fixing them. Material used for stretching should be of good quality if you want to create a well organized canvas art for home decoration.

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Linen canvas can be used for stretching but it is difficult to stretch because of less tensile strength, but it will be a nice material for a [Canvas Art](#) development that will last for years to come.

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