

snapmaker | **Silk PLA**

Technical Data Sheet



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1 Filament Introduction

Snapmaker Silk PLA delivers a smooth, glossy finish with a refined silk-like sheen, making it well-suited for decorative models and high-quality display pieces. By combining enhanced interlayer adhesion with an upgraded formula for stable extrusion, it balances elegant aesthetics with dependable durability. Available in a range of vivid colors, it also supports RFID recognition when used with the Snapmaker U1 for a more intelligent printing experience.

2 Specifications

Subjects	Data
Diameter	1.75 ± 0.03 mm
Net Filament Weight	1 kg
Length	335 m/kg
Spool Material	Cardboard Spool
Spool Size	Diameter: 200 mm; Height: 66 mm

3 Recommended Printing Settings

Subjects	Data
Drying Settings Before Printing	55°C , 6 h
Printing and Storage Humidity	< 20% RH (Sealed, with Desiccant)
Nozzle Size	0.2/0.4/0.6/0.8 mm
Nozzle Temperature	190–240°C
Bed Type	Smooth PEI Plate, Textured PEI Plate
Bed Surface Preparation	Glue Stick/Liquid Glue
Bed Temperature	25–70°C
Cooling Fan	ON
Printing Speed	< 250 mm/s
Retraction Length	0.4 mm
Retraction Speed	30 mm/s

Printing Tips

1. Drying & Storage

- **Pre-Dry:** For best results, it is recommended to dry the filament at 55°C for 6 hours before use.
- **Re-Dry:** After prolonged air exposure, recommend re-drying the filament before starting a print.
- **Storage:** It's best to keep the filament in a sealed container with desiccant to prevent moisture buildup.

2. Getting the Best Shine

The glossiness of Silk PLA depends on temperature and speed. For a shinier finish, print slower or use a higher temperature.

4 Properties

Physical Properties

Subjects	Testing Methods	Data
Density	ISO 1183	1.24 g/cm ³ at 23°C
Melt Index	210°C , 2.16 kg	21.17 g/10 min
Melting Temperature	DSC, 10 °C/min	162.3°C
Glass Transition Temperature	DSC, 10 °C/min	58.2°C
Decomposition Temperature	TGA, 20 °C/min	365.7°C
Crystallization Temperature	DSC, 10 °C/min	107.1°C
Vicar Softening Temperature	ISO 306, GB/T 1633	64.7°C
Heat Deflection Temperature	ISO 75, 1.8 MPa	54.7°C
Heat Deflection Temperature	ISO 75, 0.45 MPa	57.7°C
Saturated Water Absorption Rate	23°C, 70% RH	0.45%

Mechanical Properties

Subjects	Testing Methods	Data
Young's Modulus (X-Y)	ISO 527, GB/T 1040	2403.7 ± 74.5 MPa
Young's Modulus (Z)	ISO 527, GB/T 1040	2292.5 ± 208.7 MPa
Tensile Strength (X-Y)	ISO 527, GB/T 1040	41.1 ± 0.8 MPa
Tensile Strength (Z)	ISO 527, GB/T 1040	23.8 ± 2.8 MPa
Breaking Elongation Rate (X-Y)	ISO 527, GB/T 1040	> 40%
Breaking Elongation Rate (Z)	ISO 527, GB/T 1040	1.2 ± 0.16%
Bending Modulus (X-Y)	ISO 178, GB/T 9341	2241.4 ± 140.4 MPa
Bending Modulus (Z)	ISO 178, GB/T 9341	2063.5 ± 95.9 MPa
Bending Strength (X-Y)	ISO 178, GB/T 9341	69.1 ± 1.6 MPa
Bending Strength (Z)	ISO 178, GB/T 9341	37.3 ± 5.5 MPa
Impact Strength (X-Y)	ISO 179, GB/T 1043	13.8 ± 1.3 kJ/m ²
Impact Strength (Z)	ISO 179, GB/T 1043	11.2 ± 0.9 kJ/m ²

Other Physical and Chemical Properties

Subjects	Data
Odor	Odorless
Composition	Poly(lactic acid)
Skin Hazards	Non-Hazardous
Chemical Stability	Stable under normal storage and handling conditions
Solubility	Insoluble in Water
Resistance to Acid	Weak Acid Resistance
Resistance to Alkali	Non-Resistant
Resistance to Organic Solvent	Poor
Resistance to Oil and Grease	Fair
Flammability	Flammable
Combustion Products	Water, Carbon Oxides
Odor of Combustion Products	Odorless

5 Specimen Test

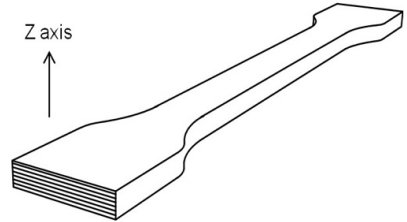
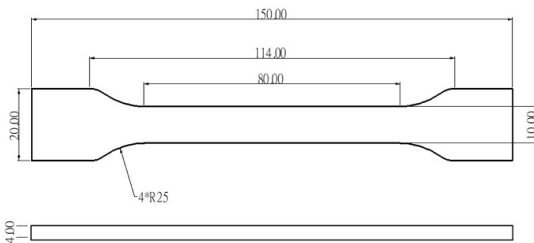
Specimen Printing Conditions

Subjects	Data
Nozzle Temperature	230°C
Bed Temperature	50°C
Printing Speed	50 mm/s
Infill Density	100%



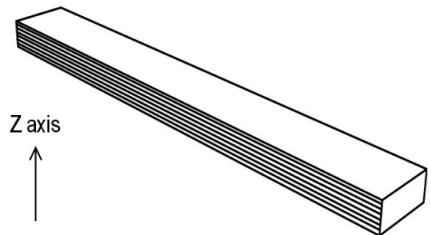
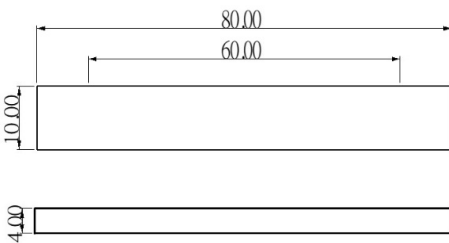
Based on 0.4 mm nozzle. Printing conditions may vary with different nozzle diameters.

Tensile Testing Specimen



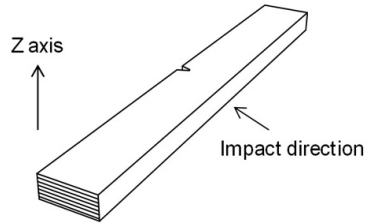
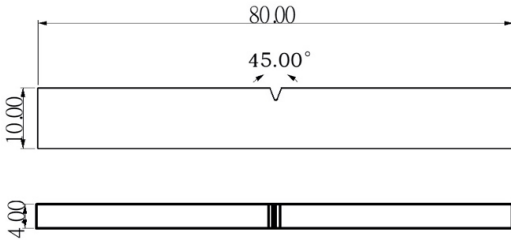
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Flexural Testing Specimen



ISO 178, GB/T 9341

Impact Testing Specimen



ISO 179, GB/T 1043

6 Disclaimer

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