

UHU GLUE GETS HARDER TO FIND

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I long ago converted from using dope to attach tissue to my models to using purple UHU glue sticks. If you apply it directly to bare wood (definitely do not put dope on the wood first – it doesn't hold well if you do), it is easy to work with and light. It comes in two sizes — the preferable size being .29oz. The other size is more than twice that large, and I've found it awkward to use in small spaces. I also have a hard time using a tube that size before it dries up

I've always been able to find the stuff at Michaels or Hobby Lobby, or at many Hobby stores. Recently, I've found that that all my favorite places to buy it have switched to Elmer's glue sticks, something with which I've not had great experiences. In desperation, I went on-line and finally found several sources, most of whom charge considerably more than the \$1 per .29oz tube that I'd been paying. Walmart sells UHU glue sticks (on-line only), but they only carry the clear stuff. With that type, it's difficult to see how heavily and where you've applied it. The best price I've found on line is an art supply house by the name of Dick Blick. You'll find the purple, small tubes there at:

<http://www.dickblick.com/products/uhu-stic-glue-sticks/>

I recently ordered a dozen of the stock # 23822-0011 to share with several builders in this area. The price of the sticks came out to be 79¢ each, but with shipping, they cost about \$1.45 each. Cheaper than any place else I've found. If anyone knows of a better deal, I'll publish it.