

2021 Hand Lettering Gift Guide

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The most basic:

1. My book Hand Lettering for Beginners
2. Tracing paper (any brand)
3. Pentel Touch brush pens

This is what I recommend starting with if you're an absolute beginner!

My top 3 from 2021:

1. Staedtler Triplus Textsurfers: I used these almost daily for 6 months until the ink ran out and then I bought a new pack!
2. Monami Live Color: I like that it has a bullet tip and fine tip. I use these all the time!
3. Monami Plus Pen 3000: You'll like these if you like tiny lettering and firm brush pens.



I got all of these from Amazon!

Just so you know:



My book will be out of stock on Amazon until January. You can find it in stores at Michaels and a few places online. You can get it at Blick.com which is one of my favorite places to buy art supplies online! If you spend \$45 you get free shipping. I'm including pens you can find at Blick so you could get my book and pens for free shipping. :)



Small brush pens:

1. Pentel Touch brush pens (soft)
2. Tombow Fudenosuke (hard)
3. Zebra Funwari (medium)
4. Marvy LePen Flex (unique! soft but firm)

You don't need all of these! Start with one.

Medium brush pens:

1. Kuretake Fudebiyori: I love that you can get individual colors from Blick (like with all of these pens)
2. Faber-Castell Pitt Artist brush pens
3. Edding brush pens



Large brush pens:

1. Tombow Dual brush pens
2. Karin Markers: You can get them individually or in sets from Blick!
3. Zebra Mildliner brush pens: I like these better than my Tombow!
4. Ecoline brush pens: really soft and really juicy.
5. Winsor & Newton Watercolour brush pens: I love these!



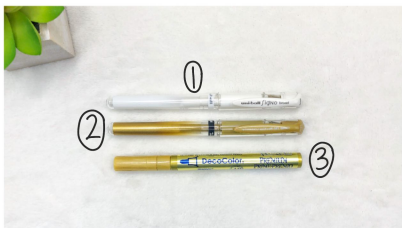
Random pens:

1. Kuretake Clean Color Dot Markers: These are so fun and unique!
2. Kuretake Clean Color Real brush pens: These have real bristles so they're great if you want to get into watercolor.

Gel and Gold pens:

1. Uniball Signo white gel pen
2. Uniball Gel Impact gold gel pen
3. Marvy Decocolor Premium: This is such a bright, shiny gold!

These are the only gel pens I use currently!



Watercolor pens:

1. Water brush: I have Pentel Aquash water brushes and Kuretake water brushes. I use them to blend brush pens as watercolor.
2. Caran d'Ache Fibre-tipped waterbrush: For thick monoline watercolor lettering. So fun!

Paper and notebooks:

1. Rhodia notepads: So smooth and so many size options!
2. Tracing paper (any brand)
3. Strathmore Bristol paper: My favorite paper for blending brush pens.
4. Watercolor paper: I like the basic Canson XL watercolor paper.

