



Hand Lettering Projects

MAKE SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR MOTHER'S DAY

Manuscript has worked with our in-house creative card maker Michelle, who has come up with a very simple card ideal for Mother's Day. This project uses an element of calligraphy, hand lettering and colour.

This image of a tree is very simple to draw and, due to the unique shapes that trees are, your drawing can be whatever shape you think suits your style! Our top tip - let your creative flare run wild with this project.

Products required:

1 pack of Duotips 1 HB pencil
 1 A4 white sketch pad 1 white eraser
 1 ruler

For finishing touches frame, optional.

Start on the left hand-side of your page, allowing you plenty of space for text on the right hand side for your heart-felt message.

Project time: 1 hour

Project level: good for beginners.





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Step 1

Find a clean and dry area to set up your craft project.

Using a pencil start to draw the shape of a heart to the left of the page. Start by drawing one side of the heart then, mirror the drawing to complete the shape symmetrically.

Then draw the tree trunk either side of the heart. Don't worry if you don't like the shape you have created, use a light eraser to rub out any lines.

Step 2

Once you have drawn your tree with branches, in the centre of the heart you can write a small message. We have chosen to write "I heart you" but you can pick any message you like!

Using the Black Callicreative Duotip Chisel Nib to go over all your pencil lines, including your message in the heart.

Take the red coloured Duotip and use this to colour the heart, using the chisel end. These pens are smudge free, so no colour bleed will occur!

Step 3

With your pencil, outline the word "Mothers" to the top right of your page. We decided to outline this word rather than draw with the Duo Tips as we wanted this to be larger than traditional writing to catch the eye.

Carefully, draw the word in a faux calligraphic style. By doing this outline in this way, it allows you to make the lettering flow whilst allowing you to change the shape if you don't like the style it's writing.

Once you're happy, return to the Black Callicreative Duotip pen, using the fine liner, outline and colour the word in.

Step 4

Using a ruler, line the page under the word Mothers with three lines, so you can start to write the rest of your message. Allow for enough space under each line to accommodate the words and length of sentence.

We wrote out the rest of our poem in pencil and then made the words bold using the Callicreative Duotip Black fine liner.

Write the word "Lifetime", following the same style as "Mothers" – using a pencil to create a hand lettering style you like!

Once you've written out your wording, grab an eraser and remove the three lines!

Step 5

Adding another colour will really make this project stand out now. Using a Green Duotip fine nib, draw leaves in a selection of different shapes. This is a simple touch but makes a really elegant finish. You can change to a darker shade of green and blend the leaves gently if you wish to be more detailed.

Let your completed artwork dry and add to a beautiful frame to impress your mum on Mothers' Day or all year round!