

1b Back to Basics: Zentangles

So you're having trouble coming up with something to draw, huh? Well, you have come to the right place. Zentangles are an excellent place to start if you're not quite sure where to start. Here, you don't have to be good at drawing to create something. So what is a Zentangle you may ask? Zentangles are essentially a series of predefined strokes

that are combined to create the end result of a pattern. From here, you can create an aggregate of as many designs as you would like on your tiny 3.5" x 3.5" piece of paper.

Final Deliverable:
One image of your final drawing

Instructions

1. Start with a 3.5" x 3.5" piece of paper, a pencil, and a black pen.
2. Put 4 dots on your paper with a pencil and lightly connect them using straight or curvy lines. Now you have your border.
3. Still using your pencil, inside your border make a few light lines from edge to edge to create a few sections.
4. From here you can follow any number of step-by-step Zentangle pattern guides. We have provided a few simple examples but if these are not complex enough for your tastes, you can find more by searching the Internet. Also, check out the Zentangle resource on our website: Pen Plotter > A1 attachments.
5. You can make your design as simple or as complex as you would like! Just keep in mind that you should avoid any type of fill or shading as you won't be able to transfer them into the next assignments.
6. Proceed to M1A2

