

Tis' the Season Embellished Lettering

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Learn some easy embellishments to

accent your lettering! It's easy to quickly add greenery, a poinsettia, holiday lights or sparkles! Tombow "**DoodleDabs**" are an easy way to draw these fun motifs. They were developed especially to use with Tombow markers.

Materials

Fudenosuke Brush Pen Blending palette Glue Pen

Dual Brush Pens:

025 Light Orange 173 Willow Green 195 Light Green 346 Sea Green 249 Hunter Green 565 Deep Blue 535 Cobalt Blue 606 Violet 665 Purple 603 Periwinkle 451 Sky Blue 835 Persimmon N15 Black

General

A **teardrop shaped stroke** makes all the different DoodleDab designs. Just 'dab' the brush pen to the paper. Make the teardrop 'dab' strokes larger by pressing down hard on the brush tip, pushing firmly so you get a decent size teardrop stroke. The teardrop strokes are usually made with the point facing away from you. For example, when making a heart, simply turn the paper around to accommodate the stroke.

Use the **fine tip** of the marker when drawing stems or whenever you want a thin, consistent line.

For a **two-toned teardrop stroke**, place the darker color on the blending palette. Using the brush tip, pick up the color with the light colored marker. Make the teardrop stroke and it will magically come out as a two-toned stroke.



Holiday Flourish

Draw a shallow curl for the main stem. Add branches and then teardrop shaped leaves. Add a few red berries, leaving a tiny dot uncolored for the highlight.

Poinsettia

Start with the center and add dots with the fine tip. Make two-toned red and green teardrop strokes around the center for the petals. Add a green curl and two-toned leaves.

Sparkle

Make crosses with the fine tip. Add more lines to create the sparkle. Add dots to the ends with the fine tip. With the light blue marker using the brush tip, add a dot in the middle of the sparkle. Use the Glue pen to adhere a rhinestone into each sparkle.

Holiday Lights

Start by making a cord with the fine tip. Add teardrop shaped lights with the brush tip. With the fine tip, add a tiny square socket at the base of each light and a plug at the end Optional: Use the Glue Pen in each bulb, then sprinkle on clear glitter to make them sparkle.



Use the sparkle DoodleDab to make this lettering glimmer.



Draw a circle around your lettering made with the Fudenosuke Brush Pen. Add the holiday flourish to create a wreath.



The extended flourish from the 'y' makes a perfect stem to add a poinsettia.



For a cheerful variation, replace the berries in the holiday flourish with red hearts. lettering done with the Fudenosuke Brush Pen.



Continue the bottom of the 'g' and create a cord with the fine tip black marker to add holiday lights to your lettering. Use the Glue Pen to add glitter to each bulb for a twinkling embellishment.

The lettering was done with the Dual Brush Pens or the Fudenosuke Brush Pens and using the lettering guide found on tombow.com.