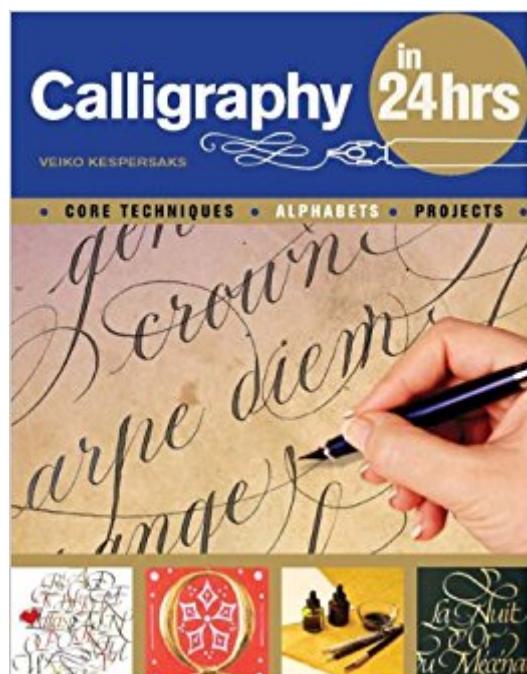


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Calligraphy In 24 Hours



Synopsis

Serious beginners who open this book can really learn the ancient art of calligraphy in just 24 one-hour sessions. A carefully structured beginner's course, Calligraphy in 24 Hours starts with basic instruction and progresses through sessions that challenge readers with projects of increasing difficulty. An opening lesson introduces students to the standard calligraphy tools--pens, inks, and papers. Tutorials that follow go on to teach the basic strokes for constructing 15 different alphabets, letter-by-letter. Timed exercises are presented to help learners build speed and confidence, and to produce beautifully finished lettering with accuracy and consistency. They will learn how to create professionally designed greeting cards, wall hangings, place settings, wedding invitations, and more. Instructions are complemented with more than 350 how-to color illustrations.

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Customer Reviews

An absolutely amazing instructional calligraphy book providing a reference for a very large number of calligraphic hands. There does seem to be a little bit of confusion about the title. In no way is it stating that you will become an expert in 24 hours, rather there are 24 1-hour lessons. Mastering anything will take years of dedicated practice.

Pro:-Large quantity of calligraphic hands-Many many examples, both historic and modern-Great detail into how the letter-forms are penned, as well as alternate letters/styles.-Excellent information about each hand, its historical context, and characteristic elements of that hand.

Con:-The pictures of the calligraphic alphabets could be slightly higher res. But in no way does it impede one's ability to see the letters, or use them as an aid to learn the calligraphic hands.

Conclusion,Get this book.

Pictures, diagrams, explanations, a bit of history, a bit of layout and drafting... This book has everything--including nib sizing, pen types, ink types, paper types, how to choose between all of them. It even has a section on sharpening nibs--something I knew nothing about before picking this book up. People who feel like they have to remind you that 'you can't REALLY learn in 24 hours' have forgotten the terms 'hyperbole' and 'marketing.' This is a great foundation for someone new to the art, who hasn't the time or money for classes yet. Practice is the only way to develop polish, but this book gives you a wider variety of things to practice than any other resource I've seen outside of specialty stores.

Great book, but very misleading title! This book is good at explaining many styles of calligraphy, including tools and techniques. I highly recommend this to anyone interested in calligraphy, but good luck learning it in 24 hours!

You'll still need a good teacher. But this well-designed book by an excellent calligraphic artist will divide your task into 24 logical, fact-filled lessons. You will be educated and entertained as you work on specific skills in ascending order. Demo pages for each historical lettering style are especially clear and helpful.

I couldn't find a calligraphy class when I needed one, so I ordered this book, new, and then when I did attend a class, my teacher asked me to order him one, and I purchased a used book. Both experiences were wonderful. If you want to learn calligraphy I highly recommend this book!

This is 24 one-hour lessons. They start easy, but get progressively harder. Yet, in a couple of weeks, my writings are like a pro. Great book. I will refer back to this one for years!

Very detailed. I haven't finished the lessons yet but am enjoying working with the instruction.

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