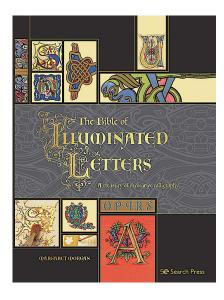


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The Bible of Illuminated Letters

A treasury of decorative calligraphy

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- Larger-format edition of a popular title, now with a flexible cover
- An in-depth guide to the ancient art of decorative calligraphy
- Includes full instructions on gilding to 'illuminate' your lettering
- Provides modern-day examples to inspire creativity.

Description

The traditional art of Illumination - the creation of elaborate, decorated letters and initials - is now attracting new enthusiasts. It reached its apogee in the monasteries of medieval Europe and was practised with great skill and artistry. Embellished with gold leaf, the illuminated letters of those early scribes seemed to reflect light, as though they were indeed 'illuminated'.

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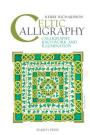
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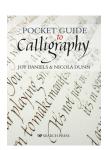
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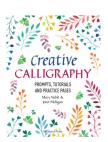
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