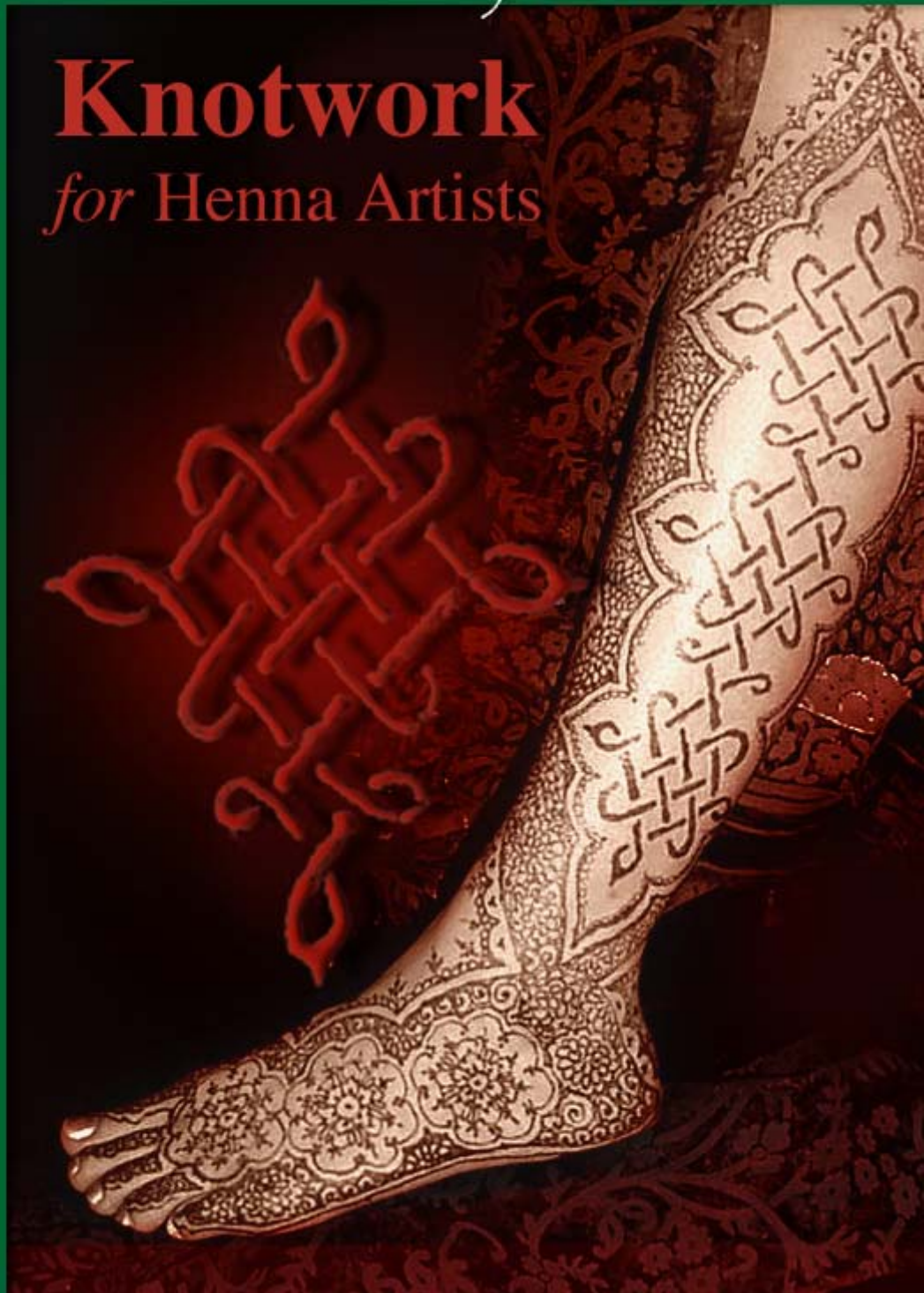


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**Knotwork**  
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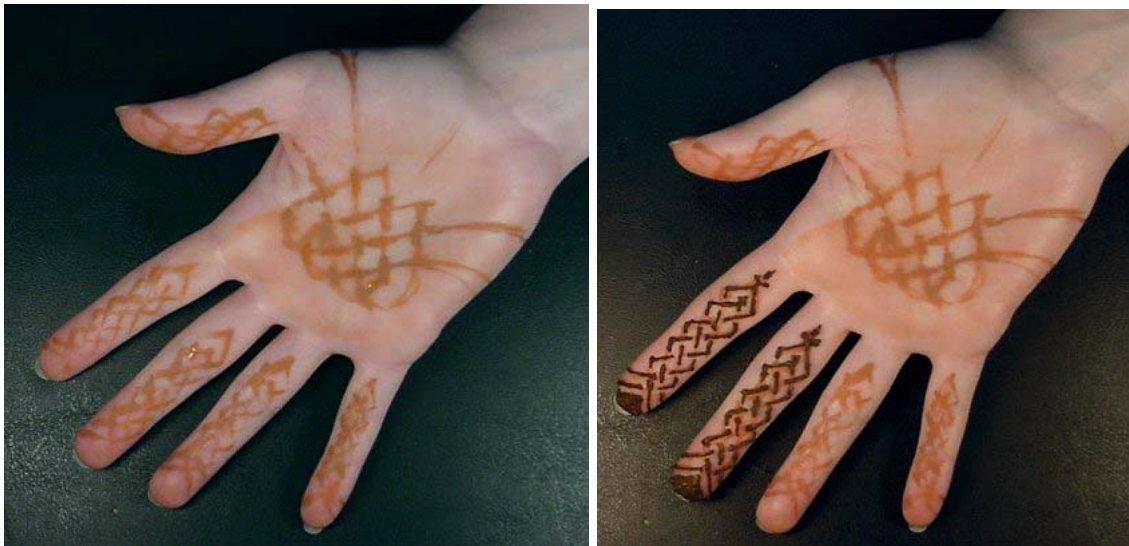
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Knotwork is simple if you know a few tricks!

Get an aquarellable pencil, a soft watercolor pencil.



You can draw on damp skin with an aquarellable pencil. You can dip an aquarellable pencil in water and draw on skin. You can also use a non-greasy, non-waxy eyebrow pencil. These won't interfere with the henna stain.



Draw in the rough pattern first. Then find the “over - under” strokes and mark those in. Clean up the irregularities and mistakes and before you start the henna work.

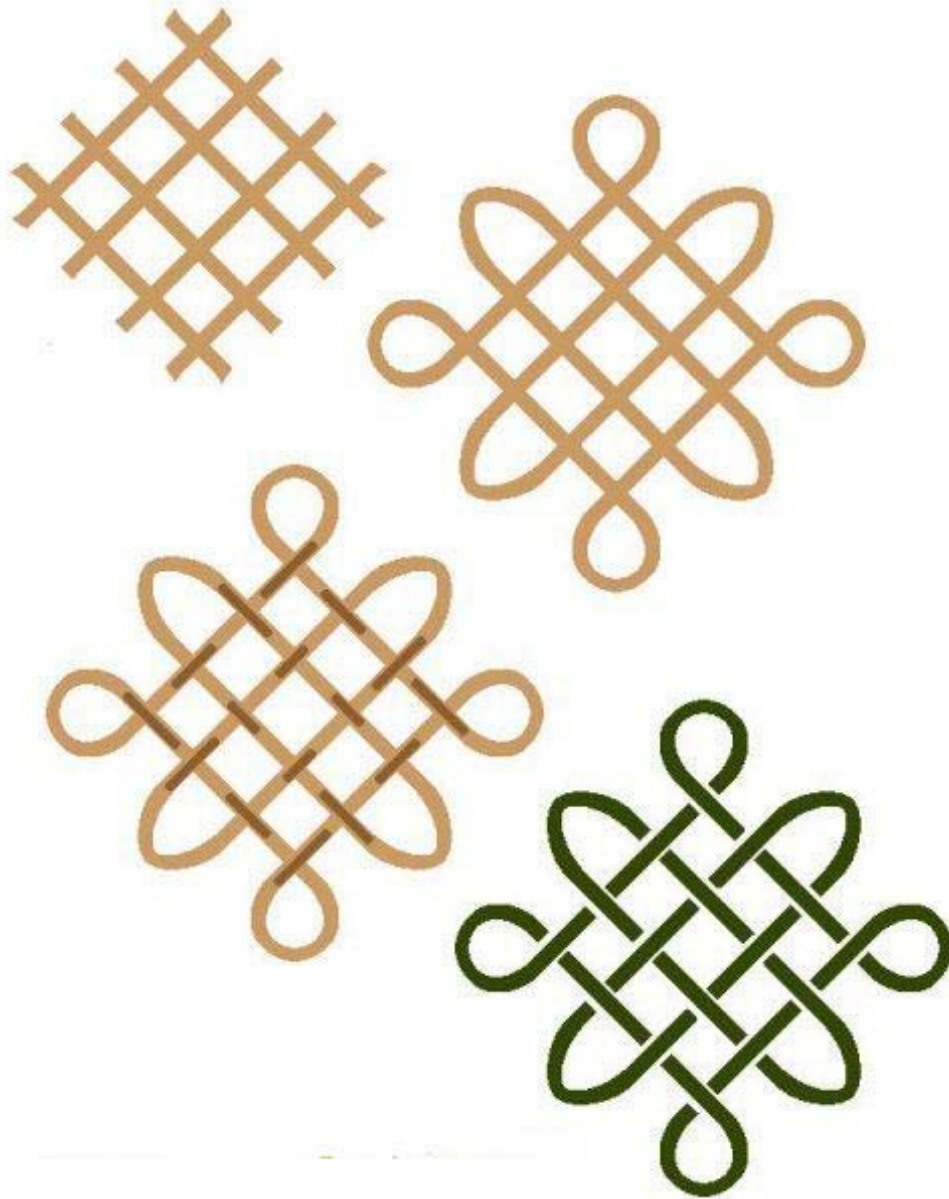




If you have the basics drawn in pencil first, its easy to do complex patterns!

Here's a more complex pattern based on a very simple knot frequently used in Islamic art:

Here is how to construct the knot:



**Draw this knot step by step to make a very complicated pattern!**



Sketch in the basic grid, and find the over and under with aquarellable pencil. Then, sketch in the rest of the pattern so it is symmetrical.







Start the henna work over the pencil sketching.



When the knotwork is done, do the major outlines and elements.

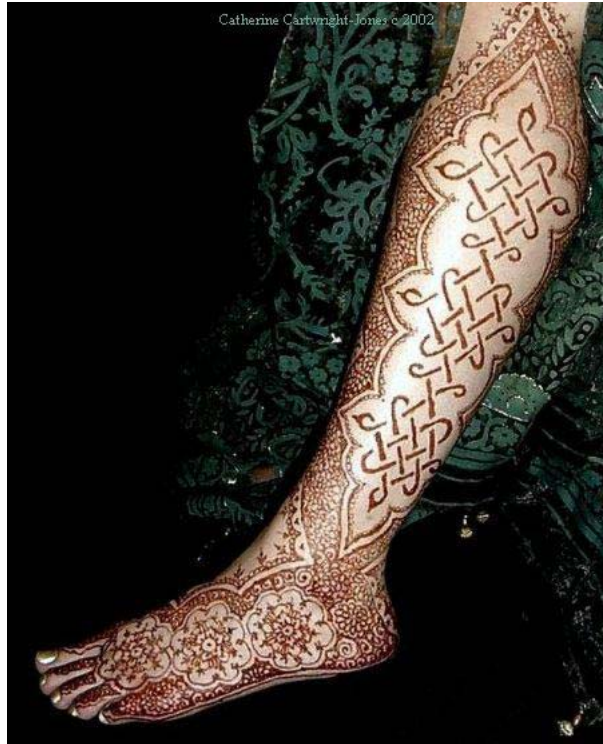


When the important stuff is done, fill in the spaces with little flowers and spirals.



Keep on filling. It looks complicated, but it's very easy!





All done!

Here is another version of the same knot:

Its simple to do, but dramatic! The Arabic word between the knots is “Victory”







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