

# Materials needed for this course bundle

## The 8 Auspicious Symbols Thangka Art Course

You need a few basic materials for this course:

### 1) Drawing paper

**When making a set of 8 separate drawings**, your drawings can be of any size, for ex. A4 or A3 / 9"x12" or 12"x18".

**If you prefer to make the Mandala shape** with all 8 symbols in it, I suggest you take one of the following sizes and cut part of it to make it into a square:

**Size:** Best size 50x65/70cm (if this is not available choose size A1 or A2)

**US paper sizes:** Best size 20"x30" (if this is not available choose 22"x30" or 18"x24")

**Weight:** preferably minimum 160 g/m<sup>2</sup>, or 80lb / 130gsm (I always use 200g/m<sup>2</sup>)

In US: [Blick Art Materials](#) / [Amazon.COM](#) or at: [Amazon.CA](#) / [Amazon.FR](#) / [Amazon.DE](#)

### 2) Pencil

Regular B&W pencil HB and/or a mechanical pencil (0.5mm)

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### 3) Eraser

Regular eraser

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In addition it's nice to have a very fine eraser, my favorite is Tombow Mono Zero (the round one):

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### 4) Ruler

Preferred size of 50cm / 18" or 24"

Note: for thangka it's easiest to work with centimeters. Working with inches is possible but gives you less options proportion wise. The following rulers have both inches and centimeters:

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For the Mandala shape a **Drawing Compass** is needed as well

Choose one that can make a very wide circle, or pref. has an extension part:

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## Colouring Techniques Course

To colour your Buddha Face you can use whatever coloured pencils you've got, but for the best results a good brand is advised, as those pencils have more pigment which is good for shading.

## Coloured Pencils

I have been using the following brands for many years and often use a set of 48 pencils:

### Prismacolor Premier

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### Faber Castell Polychromos

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### Bruynzeel Design

[Amazon.COM](#) / [Amazon.CA](#) / [Amazon.FR](#) / [Amazon.DE](#)

If you are in the US, [Blick Studio Artists' Colored Pencils](#) also make a good choice

## OPTIONAL: Additional materials

In the course I show you what you can do with additional materials such as the ones below.

You don't necessarily need to buy them now, you can also first see if this would be something for you.

### Fineliners

There are many different brands that are good. I always use Stabilo Point 88, usually a set of 10:

In US: [Blick Art Materials](#) / [Amazon.COM](#) or at: [Amazon.CA](#) / [Amazon.FR](#) / [Amazon.DE](#)

### Gold pen

I always like to finish things off with a golden pen, such as the ones from Uni-ball or Pentel:

[Amazon.COM](#) or at: [Amazon.CA](#) / [Amazon.FR](#) / [Amazon.DE](#)

### Blending tool(s), such as

**Paper stumps** (set of 3 or more)

In US: [Blick Art Materials](#) / [Amazon.COM](#) or at: [Amazon.CA](#) / [Amazon.FR](#) / [Amazon.DE](#)

### Blender pencil

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And lastly: if you want to make notes during the courses please have your pen & paper ready.

Happy drawing!  
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