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# Chalk-Style Holiday Coloring Book: Color With All Types Of Markers, Gel Pens & Colored Pencils





## Synopsis

All the beauty of coloring with chalk but without the mess! These 32 hand-drawn Christmas designs feature all of the charming imperfections of original chalkboard art. Relax and fill them with color to create your own rustic-chic masterpiece. From wreaths, mistletoe, and snowflakes to eggnog and hot cocoa, these happy holiday images evoke fond memories of sweet celebrations. Each festive white line illustration is presented on a textured black background, just like a real chalkboard. You'll be delighted by the way warm colors, bright colors, neons, and lighter pastel shades really pop from these designs. Use light-colored pencils and gel pens to personalize your work with lettering, flourishes, and patterning. Talented chalkboard artist Valerie McKeehan provides useful coloring tips and tricks, along with beautifully colored examples to help get you inspired. Printed on one side only of high-quality, extra-thick paper, each perforated page detaches easily for gifting or display.

#### **Book Information**

Age Range: 10 and up Series: Chalk-Style Paperback: 80 pages Publisher: Design Originals; Clr Csm edition (September 1, 2016) Language: English ISBN-10: 1497201640 ISBN-13: 978-1497201644 Product Dimensions: 8.5 x 0.2 x 10.8 inches Shipping Weight: 9.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.2 out of 5 stars 12 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #69,071 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #14 inà Â Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Christian Living > Holidays > Christmas #20 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Activities, Crafts & Games > Activity Books > Coloring Books #73 inà Â Books > Arts & Photography > Drawing > Coloring Books for Grown-Ups > Religious & Inspirational

### **Customer Reviews**

Festive Chalkboard Designs to Color & InspireAll the beauty of coloring with chalk--but without the mess! These 32 hand-drawn seasonal designs feature all of the charming imperfections of original chalkboard art. Relax and fill them with color to create your own rustic-chic masterpiece. From wreaths, mistletoe, and snowflakes to eggnog and hot cocoa, these happy holiday images evoke fond memories of Christmas celebrations. Each festive white line illustration is presented on a

textured black background, just like a real chalkboard. You'll be delighted by the way warm colors, bright colors, neons, and lighter pastel shades really pop from these designs. Use light-colored pencils and gel pens to personalize your work with lettering, flourishes, and patterning. Talented chalkboard artist Valerie McKeehan provides useful coloring tips and tricks, along with beautifully colored examples to help get you inspired. Each design is printed on one side only on archival-grade, acid-free, 200-year paper. Each perforated page detaches easily for gifting or display.

Chalkboard artist Valerie McKeehan is the author of the bestselling Complete Book of Chalk Lettering: Create and Develop Your Own Style. Valerie's artwork is sold throughout the world in various formats on everything from cards to candles. Val, works with nationally-recognized brands and has been featured in publications like The Knot Magazine, HGTV.com, MarthaStewartWeddings.com, RealSimple.com, and Good Housekeeping Magazine.

I really enjoy the designs in this coloring book but there are some issues with the formatting that I really do not like. I love the designs but some of them have needlessly been made difficult to color. The designs are primarily Christmas in nature but some are a little more generic. I finished one of cups of hot cocoa to be generic while the sample showed it in Christmas colors. The designs are in chalk-style and the backgrounds of these designs are not a pure black as others have been. They have a kind of used chalky look to them which makes them a little more gray in tone than black. It gives it a very realistic look. In my recent coloring books from this publisher, they have altered their format and the designs which are shown as colored samples in the book are no longer provided in full page format. They are included as medium designs with a thumbnail of the color sample, a few samples of the colors used and a quick sentence or two about the how the colors work with the design. At first, I wasn't sure how I felt about this change but now that I have worked with a couple of these books, I must say I really do not like the change. I want the pages in full size for both ease of coloring and for consistency with the other pages in the book. The shrinking of the designs has made some of the details small and intricate and difficult to color. Simply put, I wish they would go back to the old format and perhaps include the information on the sample color pages. While I didn't detract stars in my rating because of the format as I do color in books that have intricate details, the new format makes me less inclined to want to purchase their coloring books in the future. This is what I experienced while coloring in this book and testing my various coloring medium on the paper:32 Holiday (primarily Christmas) Designs in Chalk-board style (white images on dark gray to

black backgrounds) with 24 large designs and 8 medium onesThe 8 Medium Designs include colored thumbnails and coloring advice on the page (info can be removed at provided perforations)Printed on one side of the pagePaper is medium weight, slightly rough, dark gray/black printed on white paper and is perforated for easy removal. The paper is noted as archival-grade and acid free for 200 years.Designs stop well before the perforationsAlcohol and water-based markers bleed through the pageGel pens and India ink pens can spot through to the back of the pageColored pencils work well with the paper. Both oil and wax based pencils provide good color, layer, and blend well. Hard lead pencils can dent through the page.I use a blotter page to keep seeping ink and dents from marring the pages below. I recommend this in general or that you remove pages before coloring. I use card stock or several sheets of paper as my blotter page.

I've enjoyed sketching and using adult coloring books for some time. This Chalk-Style is a delightful addition. Black backgrounds give a piece a very dynamic look but the chalk/style even more unique. As the artwork is based on original chalkboard art it all is hand created rather than computer created. The finished work has all the perfect little imperfections that old world hand fashioned work has.These would make fantastic greeting cards with matched envelopes or postcards to color. Larger poster sizes would also be fun. A great product!

Very disappointed. Only a couple of cute pages out of the whole book.

Love it love it these books can't be made fast enough for me! Highly recommend!

Beautiful book!!! I really enjoy the chalk style books & look forward to adding other books to my collection!

Love this coloring book. It is one of my favorites. Great quality.

I tear out the pages and put them on frames...

Just loved this book so much I bought one for a friend!

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