



Textures: Tips & Advice

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How to clip textures into your designs in Adobe Photoshop:

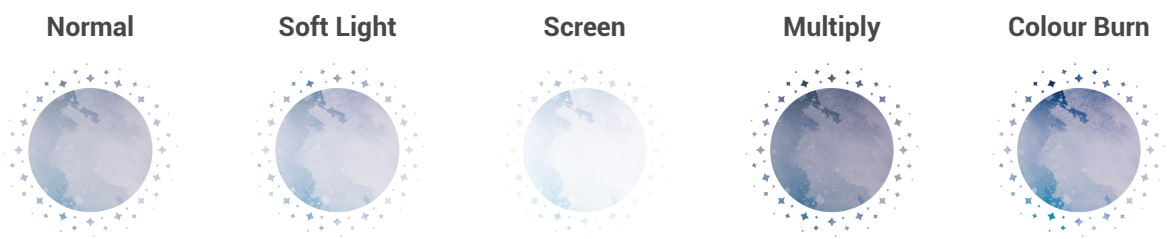
If you already have a design but you want to spruce it up a bit, you can drag a texture on top of it in the Layers panel and then go to **Layer - Create Clipping Mask**. This will print or “stamp” the texture into whatever shape is on the layer beneath it. E.g. if you have a plain black shape of a fish on one layer and you place a blue texture above it and then select **Layer - Create Clipping Mask** the blue texture will fill the shape of the fish, but not the rest of the image. Make sure to place the texture directly above whatever shape you wish to clip it into, or it won't work!

How to import textures into Procreate or Adobe Photoshop:

You can open textures in Photoshop the same way you would open any image. In the Layers panel, if you select **Edit - Copy** and then go to your new document and select **Edit - Paste** the texture will be applied to your workspace. To add textures to Procreate on the iPad, you will need to put the textures in your photo library on store them on a cloud-based storage plan (e.g. Dropbox). Open Procreate and start a new document. Click the plus + icon and navigate to the texture and select it. The texture should now upload to your Procreate app.

How to use blend modes in Photoshop to change or enhance your designs:

Once you've brought your texture into your Photoshop project, you can select different blend modes to change the effect that the texture has on everything below it. In your Layers panel, there will be a drop down that is normally set to read 'Normal' by default. If you drop this menu down there are many options. Have a play. Here are some examples of different blend modes and what they do:



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