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Skylines of the World - Working with Silhouettes

Skyline silhouettes of twelve international cities for
collage art



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INTRODUCTION

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Silhouettes are the outlines – that is, the contours – of surfaces that appear dark in front of a light background or vice versa. We call the silhouette of a city, whose tallest structures stand out against the horizon, a skyline.



Each city has its own, easily recognizable skyline. Once upon a time it was churches, towers, and city fortifications that stood out – today skyscrapers and telecommunications towers are often part of the skyline. When considered graphically, a skyline is a packed scene consisting of a series of extremely simple forms. Drawing such a city silhouette is, however, an incredibly dense and complex subject.

These materials contain the city silhouettes of twelve world-famous cities for freestyle coloring in and experimentation. A simple design technique is to paint a background for the horizon and then cut out and stick the city silhouette on top. Awesome! The effect is stunning.



Here's another fascinating city collage consisting of several different skylines that have been colored in and then stuck one on top of another.

Micha Labbé

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