

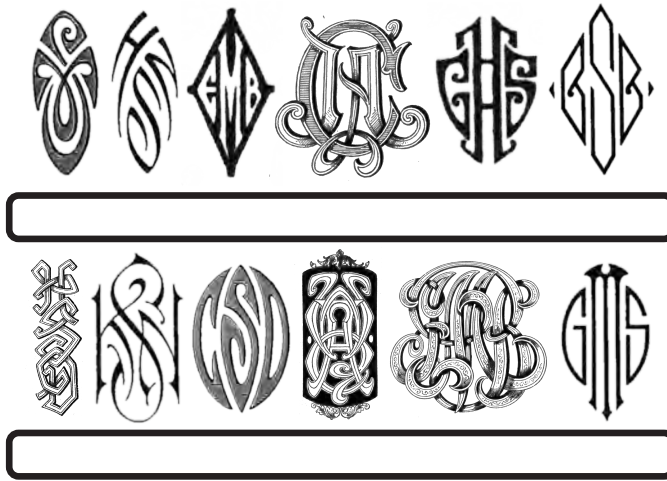
Monograms



Adding a monogram to a metal object is a way of personalizing it. Metal objects were usually designed and made with an empty area for adding a monogram later.



Some monograms are easy to read. Some are more decorative and fanciful. Can you figure out what these initials are?



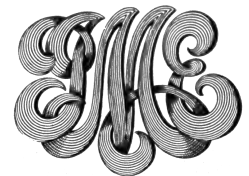
Part of the challenge in designing forks and spoons was creating something that looked complete without a monogram, but still had room to add one,

Another challenge in designing a monogram is getting it to match the style of the item it will go on.



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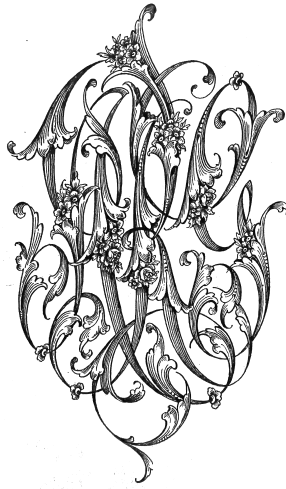
Some monograms leave all the letters separate. But some weave the letters together like ribbons.



Keeping the last initial bigger, or more obvious, is also important.

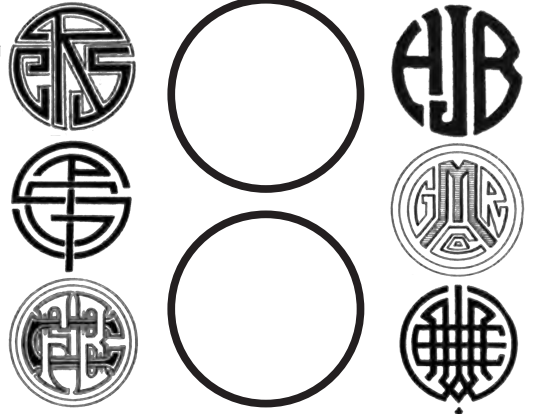


Some designs are
more focused on
being pretty.
Or fun.
Or even weird!

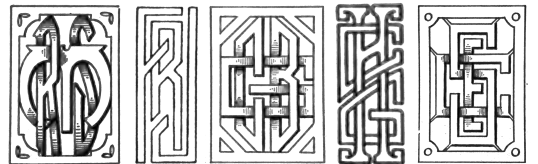


Sometimes the designers
went a little overboard and
the monograms are almost
impossible to read.

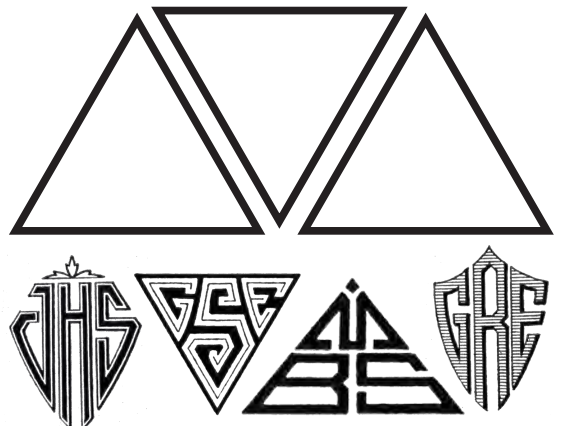
Can you get your initials
to fit in a circle?



Can you get your initials
to fit in a rectangle?



Can you get your initials
to fit in a triangle?



The logo of a
corporation is
often a simple
monogram also.



Can you find
corporate
monograms on
things you own?

Depending on the style, a
monogram ranged in
price from relatively
affordable to nearly half
the cost of the item it
was going on.

Retail Price List for Monogramming
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STYLE	DESCRIPTION	6-Piece Place-Setting Monogramming Costs
R1	Raised: Single Letter	\$15.00*
R2	Raised: Three Letter	15.00*
R3	Raised: Ranch Brand	15.00*
D11	Raised in Depressed Shield	7.50
D12	Depressed	7.50
E21	Engraved Single Letter Old English Cross-Shaded	4.00
E22	Engraved 2-Letter Modern	3.00
E23	Engraved 3-Letter Script	3.00
E24	Engraved 3-Letter Drop Script	3.00
E25	Engraved 3-Letter Roman Block	4.00
E26	Engraved Single Letter	1.75
E27	Engraved Crest	5.50



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