

Create a glowing orb in Photoshop



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1. Create a new document

300 dpi

fill black 000000

2. Create a new layer - call it Background

Select 'Magic Window' brush

size 2500 px

Colour: #89c5df

Create background to your liking with the brush

3. Select a big soft Black Brush from the brushes menu

Opacity = 50%

Remove hard edges from background brush by gently painting over them

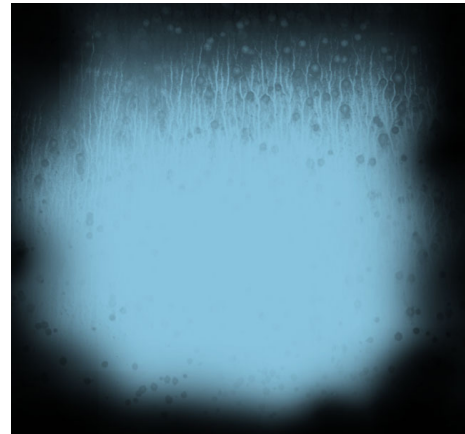
4. Create a new layer - name it Glow

Set opacity to 20%

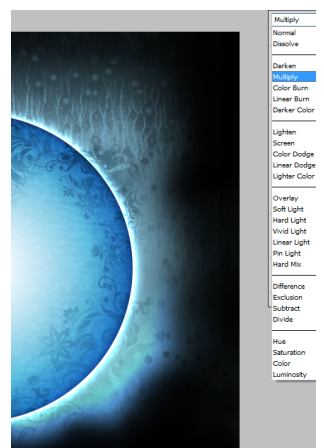
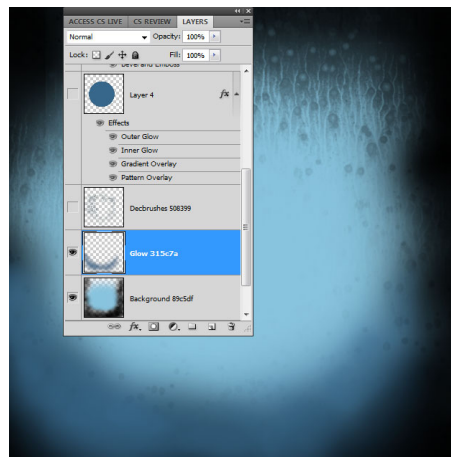
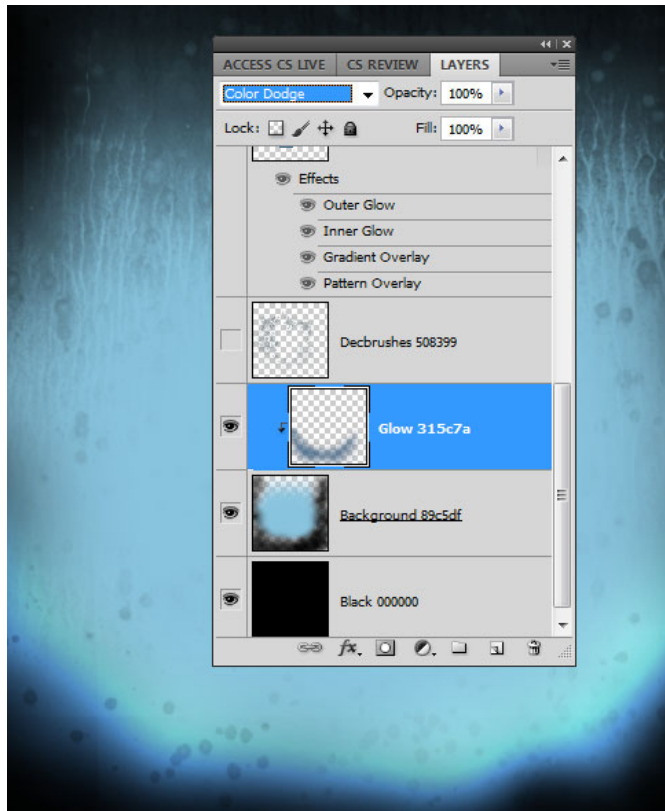
Using same soft black brush as step 3

Paint in where you'd like a glow in the image, eg, mine is to be placed 'centrally'

Layers palette = set to Colour Dodge



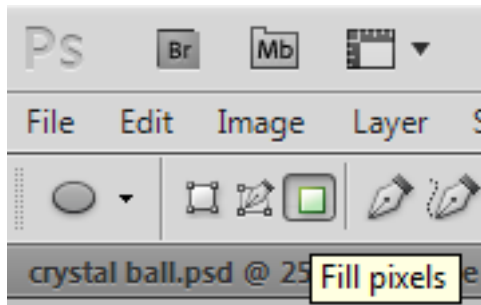
5. Alt-Click between Background and Glow layers



6. Create a new layer - name it Orb

Draw ellipse with fill pixels

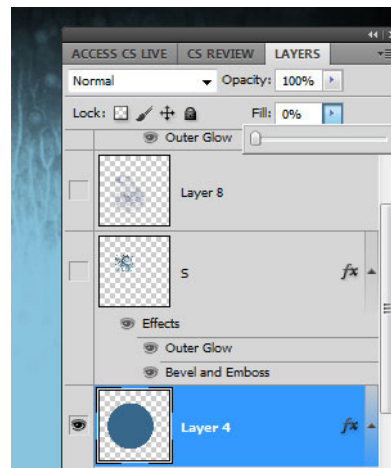
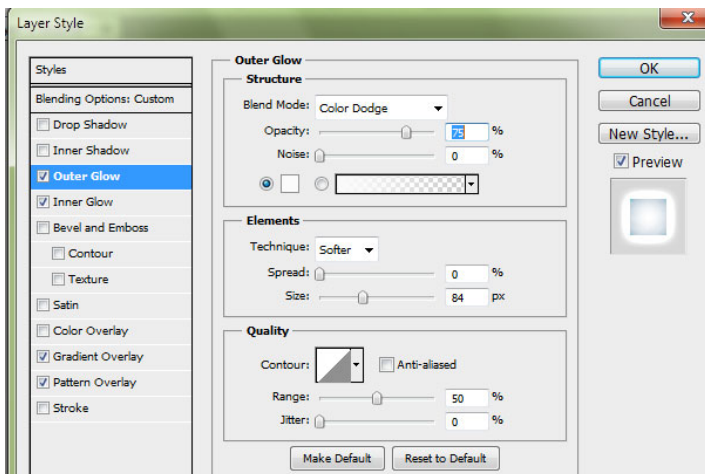
Hold down the shift key while you draw the ellipse to constrain it to perfect circle shape. Fill it with a colour - any colour - it will be covered by effect elements shortly



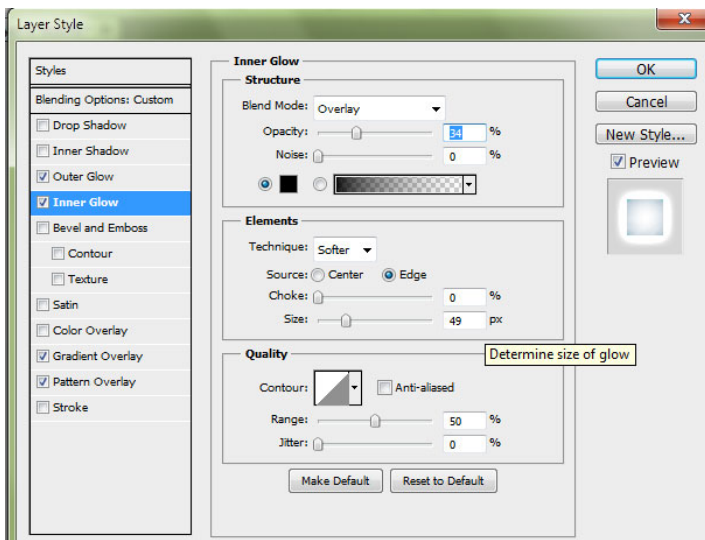
7. Apply the following layer styles to Orb

a. Set Fill of the Layer to 0

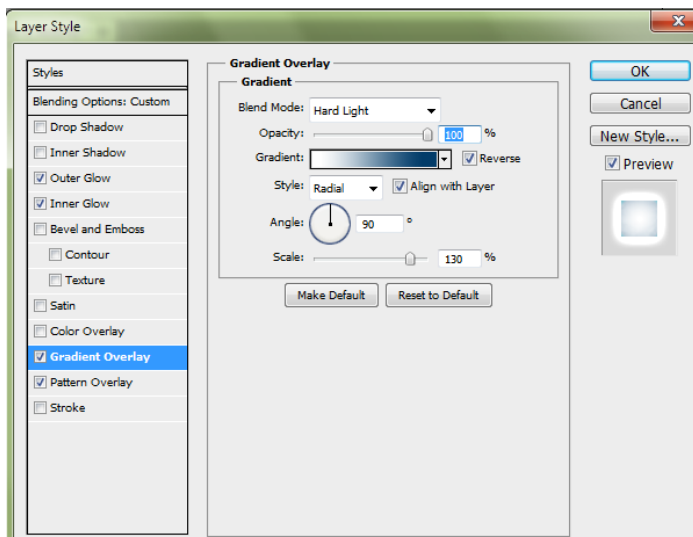
b. Outer glow



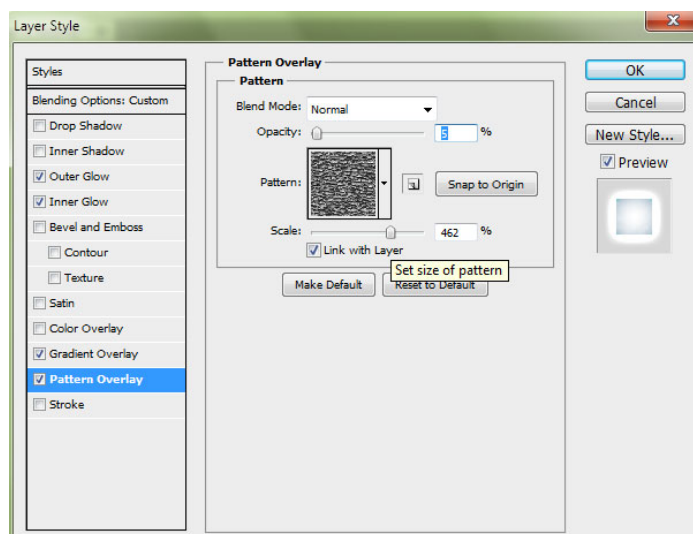
c. Inner Glow



d. Gradient Overlay

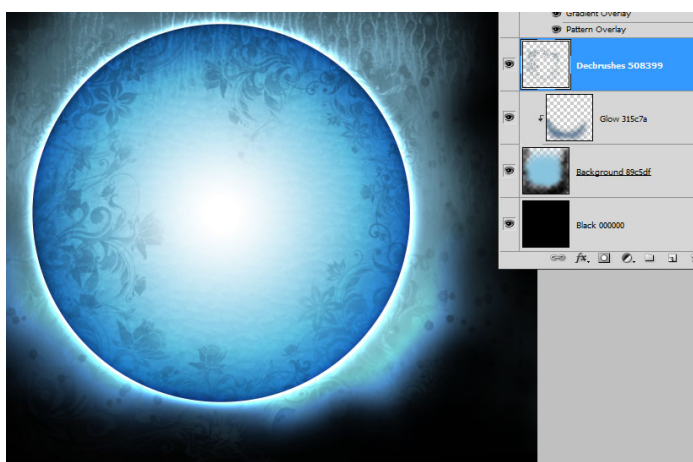


e. Pattern Overlay



8. Create a new layer - name it Decbrushes

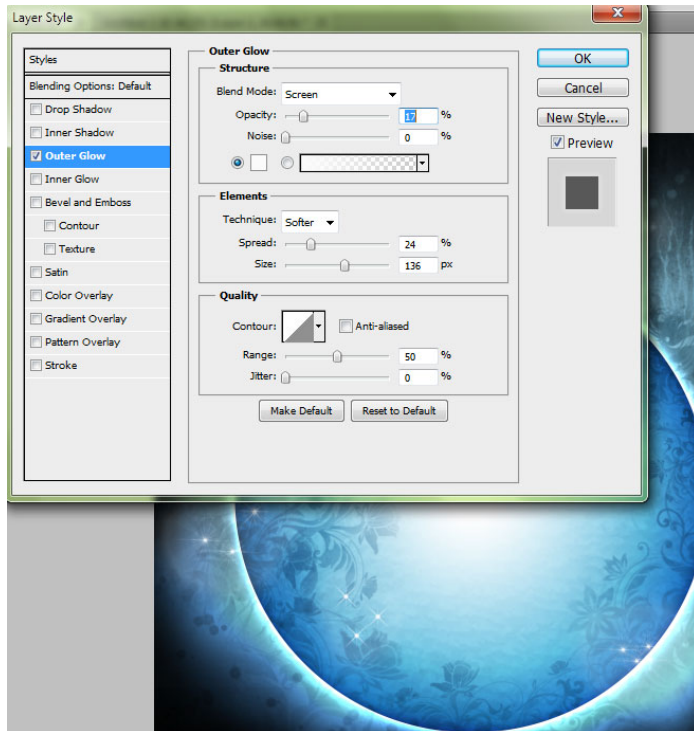
Select ornate brushes to decorate around the orb - I used some floral brushes using low opacity.
Set Layer to Multiply in the Layers palette



9. Create a new layer - call it Stars

Select a star brush, colour = white FFFFFF

Apply following settings:



10. The basic glowing orb is complete. Hope you followed the tutorial easily.

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