

# Create Christmas cards in Photoshop

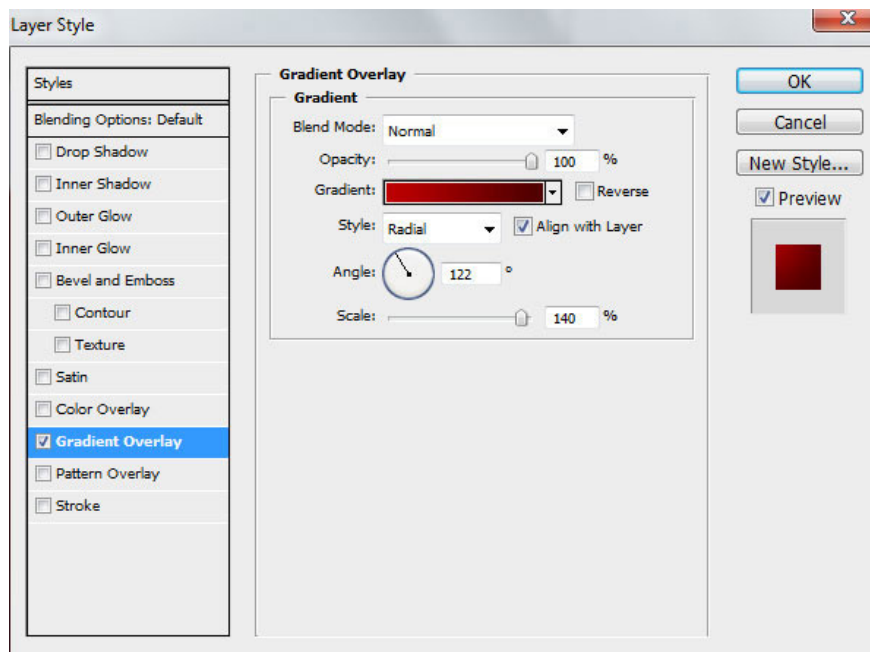
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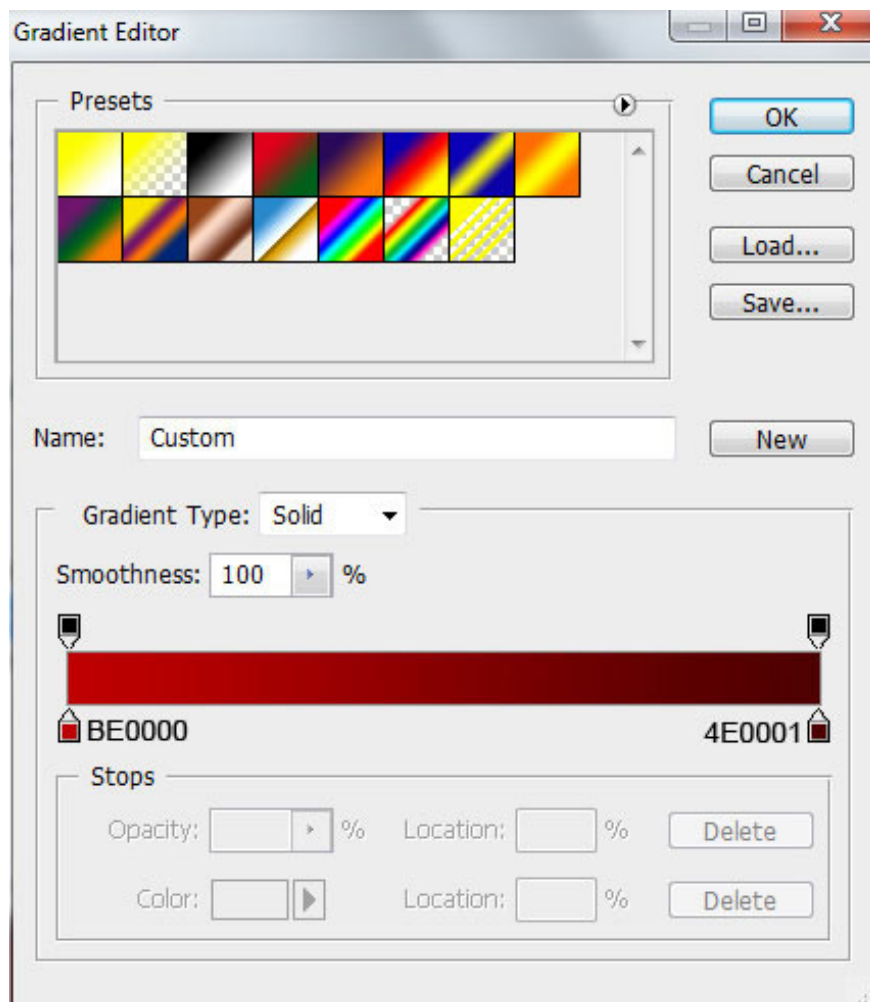
Create a new file ( **Ctrl + N** ) in Photoshop with the size **1920x1200px** (RGB mode) with a Resolution of **72 pixels / inch** . Use the **Rectangle Tool (U)** to draw a rectangle that covers the entire width of the file with the background color as arbitrary.



Select the rectangle just drawn, go to **Layer > Layer style > Gradient Overlay**



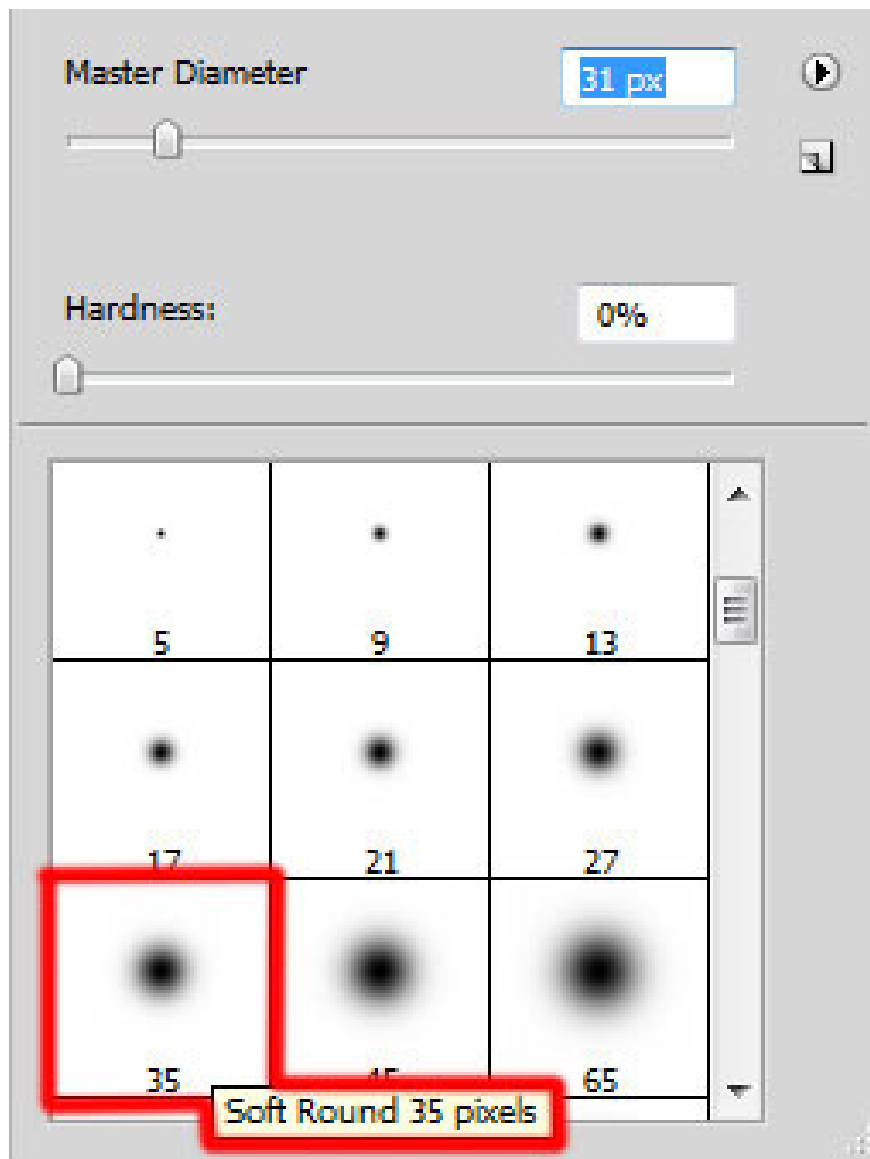
Click on the color gradient bar to open the Gradient Editor section and set the color as shown below. Click **OK** after you've set the color.



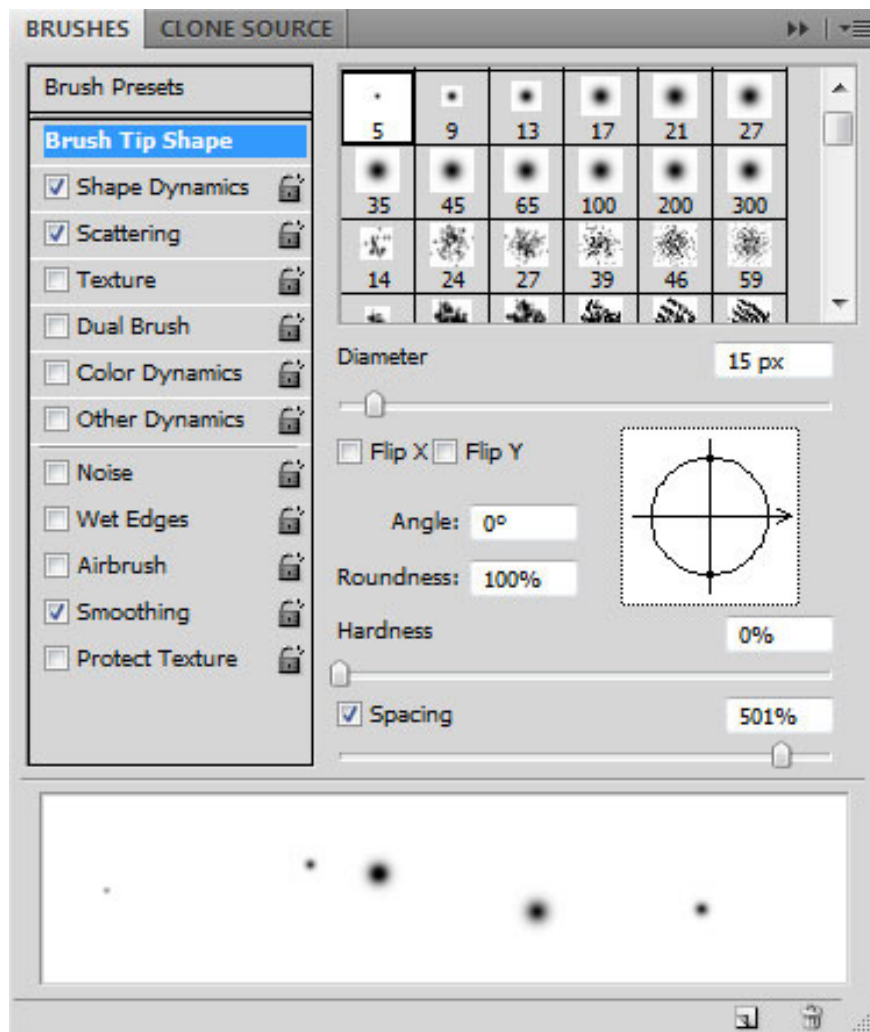
As a result we will have the following background image:



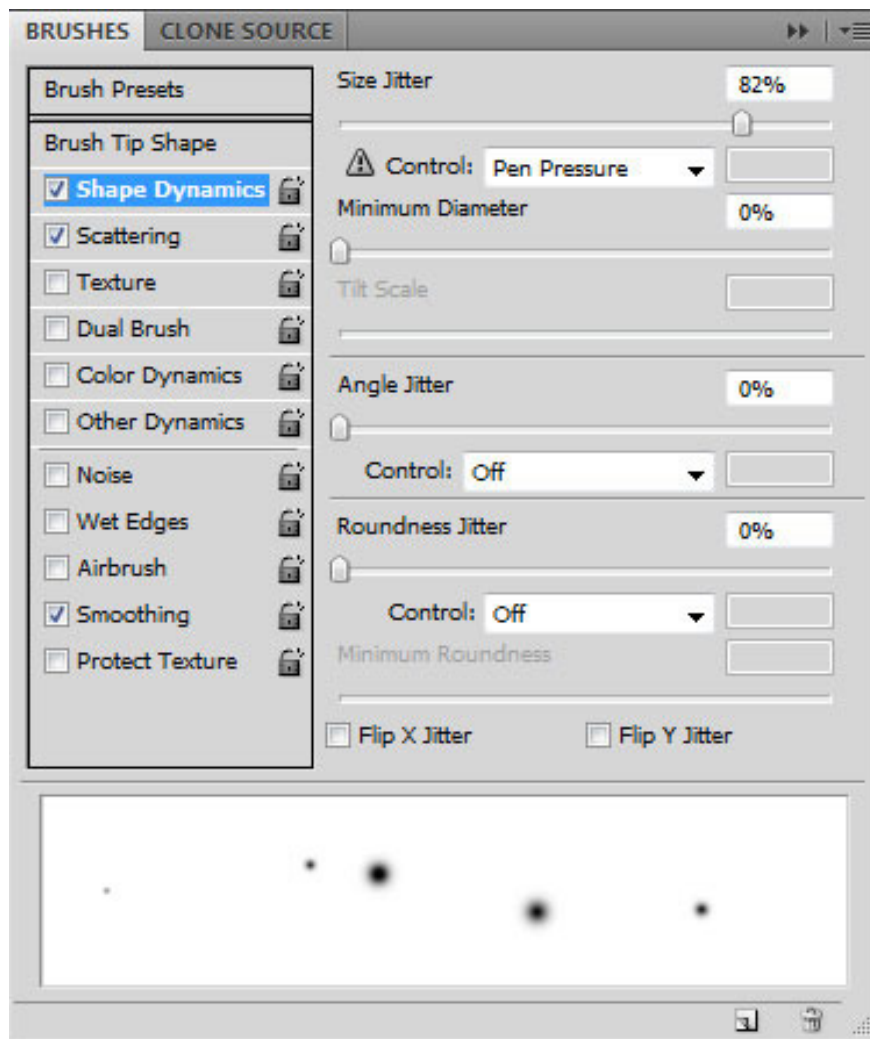
Create a new layer and select **Soft Round** brush on the Brush tool (shortcut **B** )



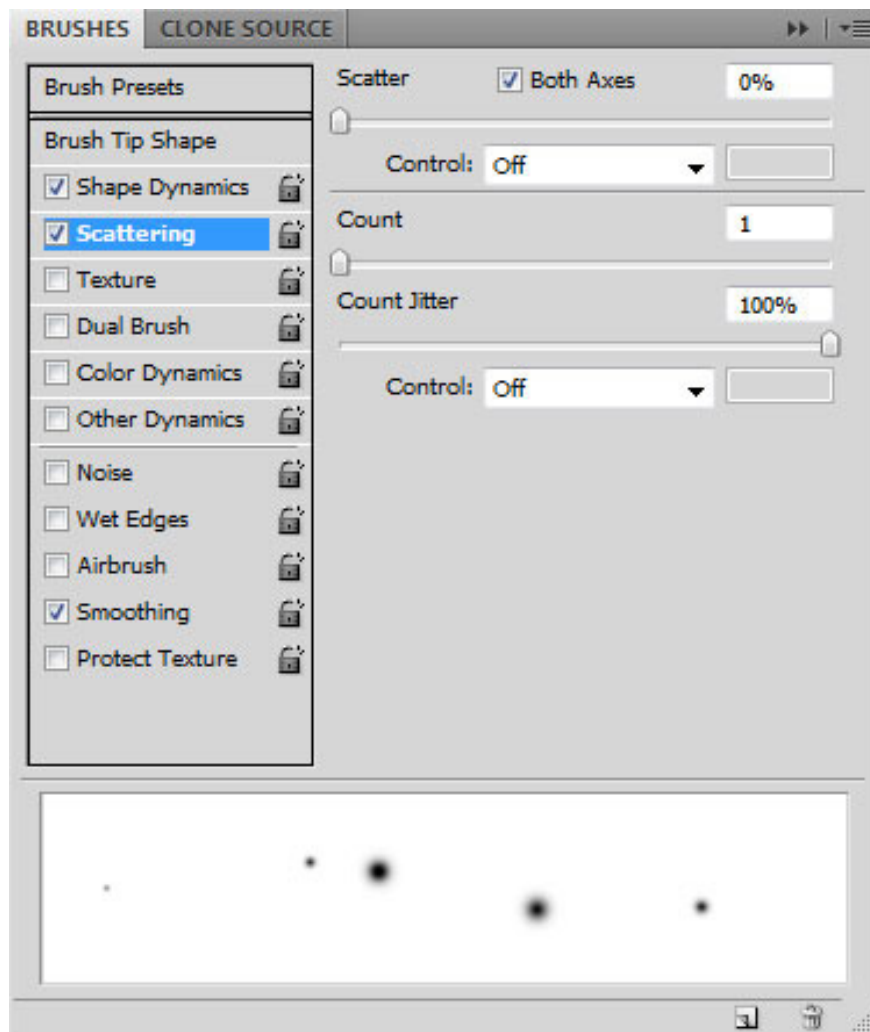
Customize this brush in the **Brushes** panel ( **F5** ), select **Brush Tip Shape** . Click and drag any slider to change Size, Hardness and Spacing as shown below. The *Preview windows* section will display all changes with the brush.



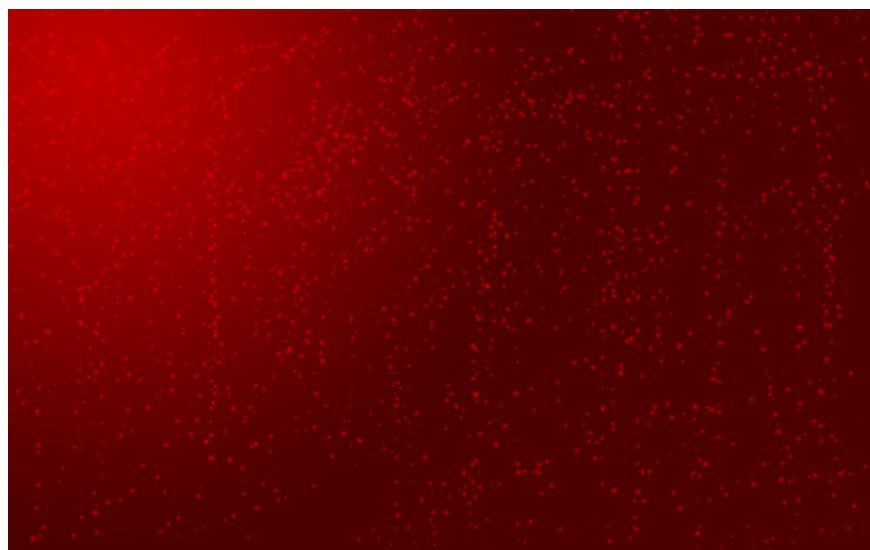
Go to **Shape Dynamics** section to set up as follows:



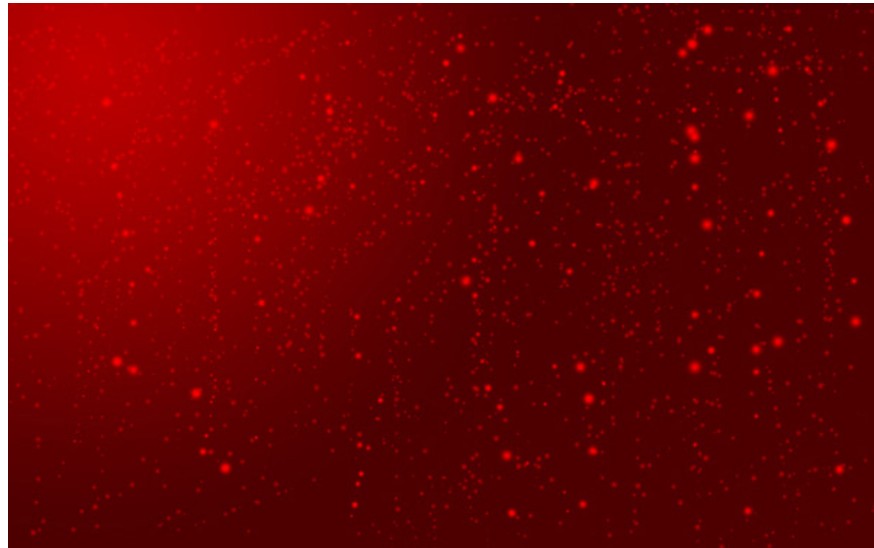
Then the **Scattering** section settings:



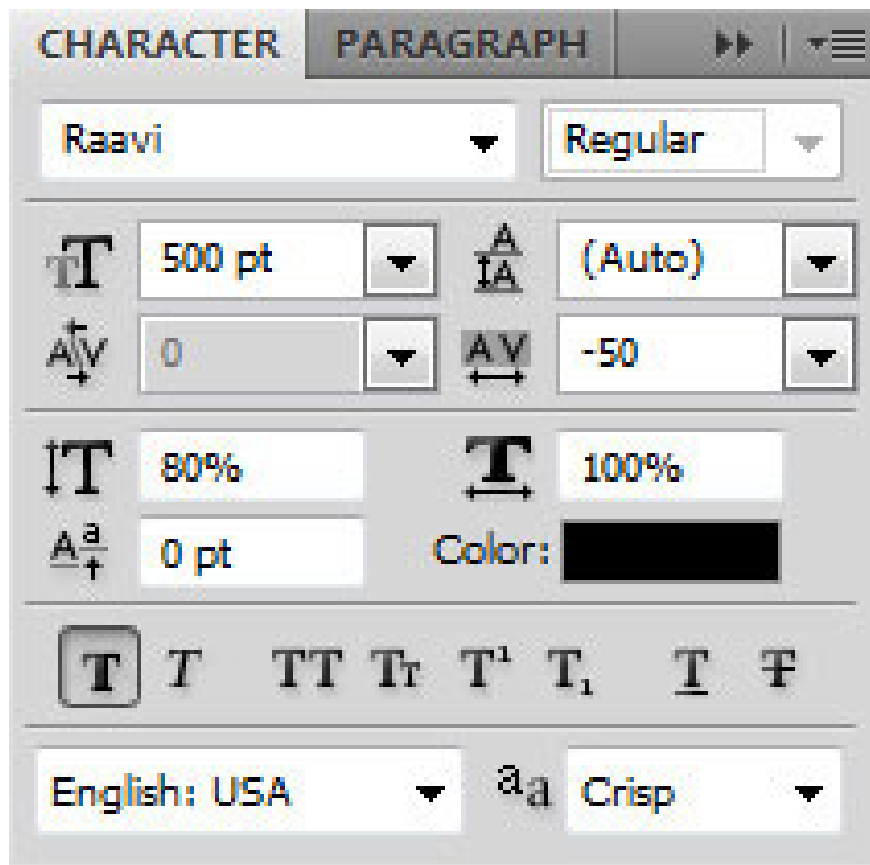
Change **Foreground color** to # **CE0000** and use the newly created brush to paint the shadow of the falling snow.



On the next new layer, you still apply the previous brush but slightly larger in size, the color is similar to the light color part of the background.



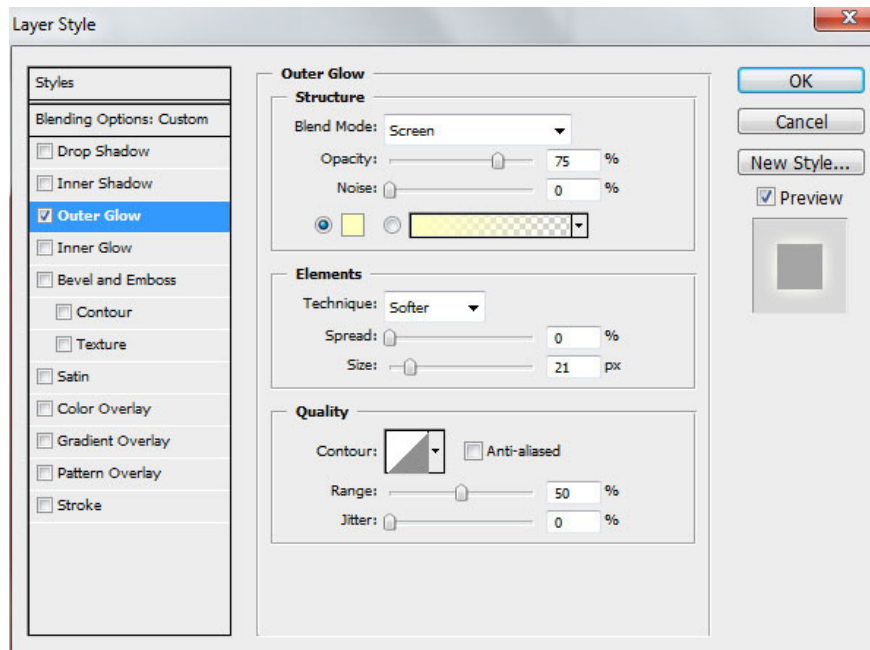
On the middle part of the file, insert the number **2010** using the **Horizontal Type** tool ( **T** ). Select a suitable font, size and color in the *Character* panel:



Click on the photo background and enter the 2010 number, press Enter after the import is complete.



Set the Fill to **40%** for the newly created layer 2010 and click on **Add a layer style** at the bottom of the Layers panel, click **Outer Glow** :



We will get the new effect of the text as follows:



The next step is to download some brush pattern settings for Photoshop here, its name is *Floral ornaments* . Create a new layer, go to the Brush Tool (B), set the brush to download.



Change the Foreground color to white and use the selected brush to draw the pattern of corners as follows:



Create a new layer and select the **Soft Round** brush used first, still choose white color and point some white brushes as shown below:



Set the Fill to **60%** for this layer



Create a new layer, still use a **soft** , white brush and create some dots:

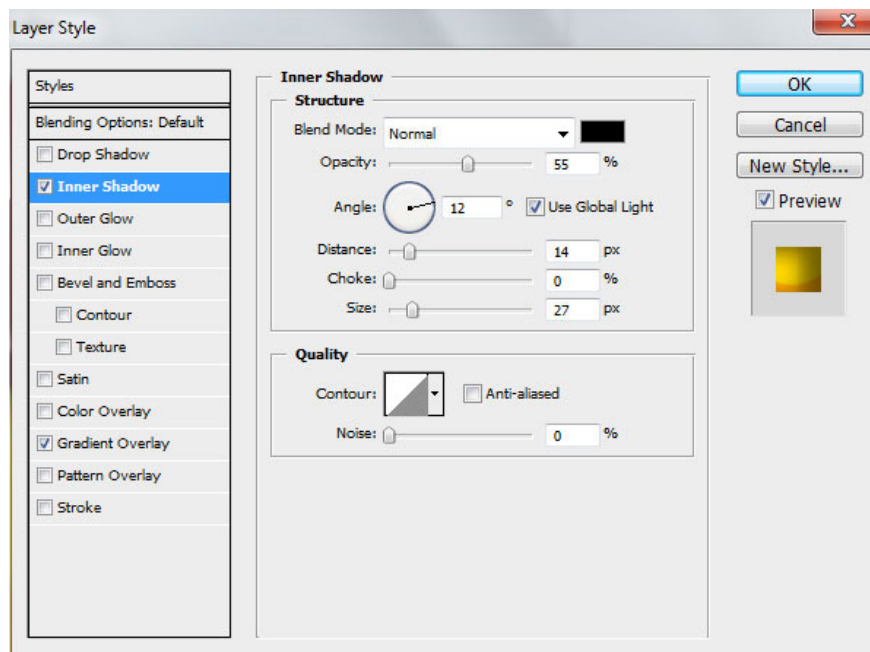


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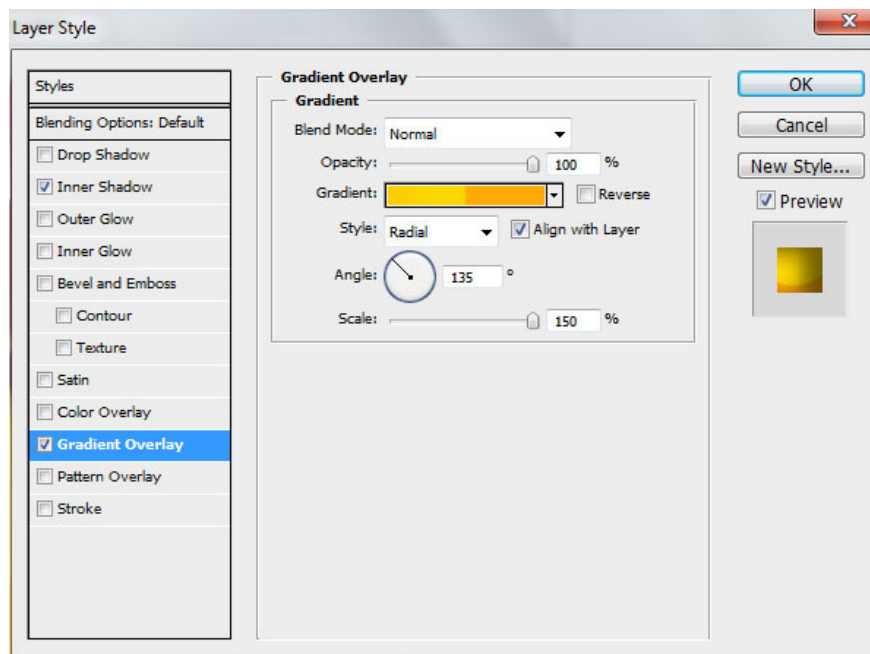
Select the **Ellipse Tool (U)** and draw a Christmas decoration ball in the middle of zero



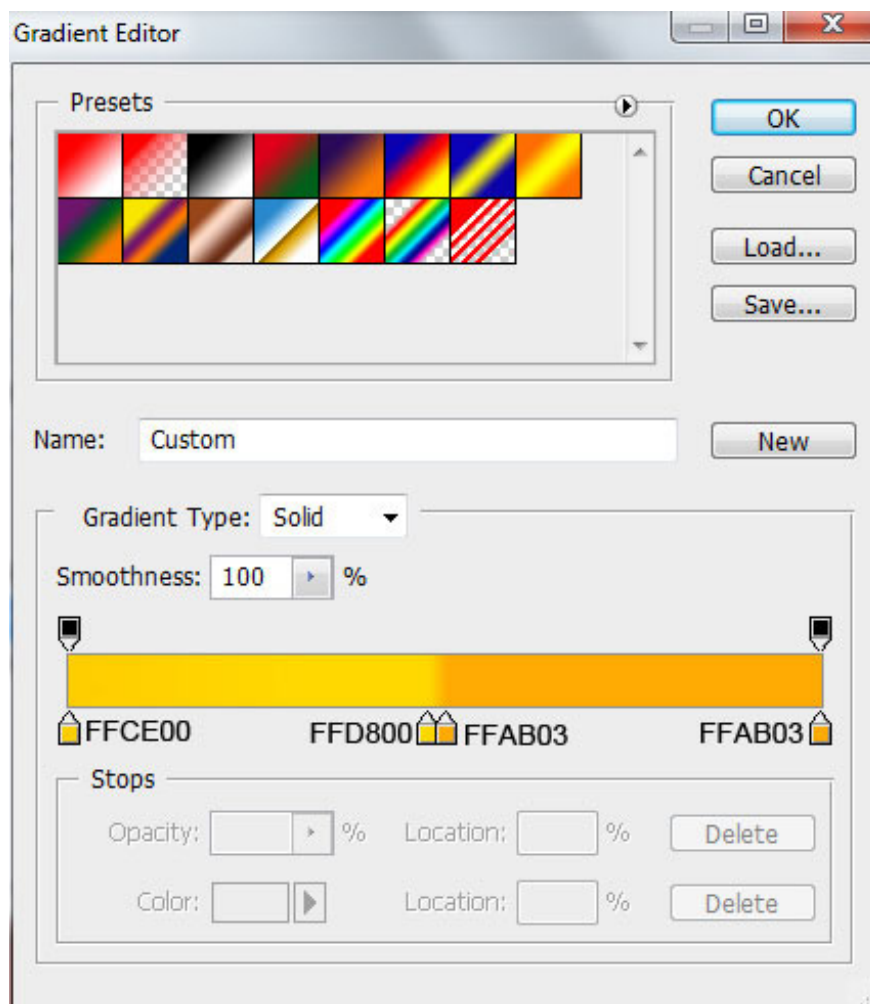
Select **Add a layer style** at the bottom of the Layers panel and click **Inner Shadow** :



Set **Gradient Overlay** :



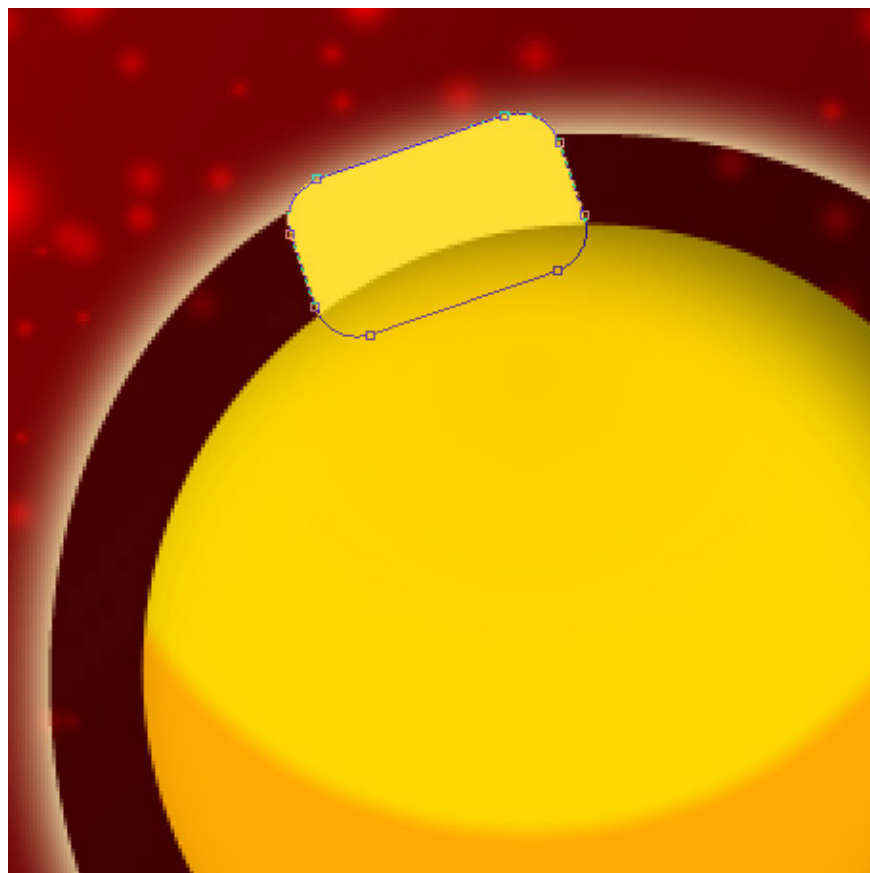
Click on the Gradient color bar to open the Gradient Editor and set the color as shown below. Click **OK** after you have selected



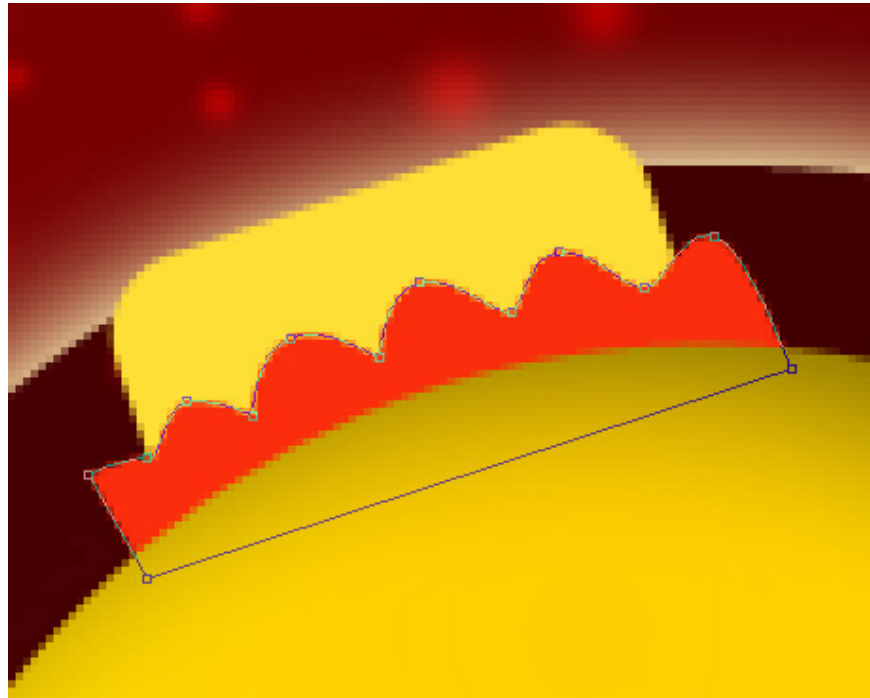
We have the following results



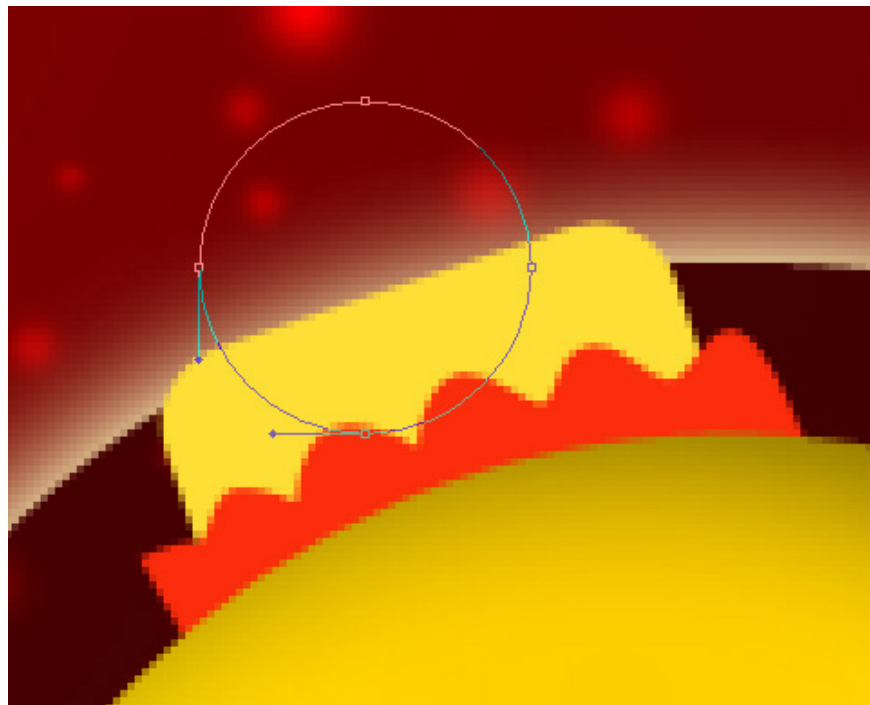
Select **Rounded Rectangle Tool (U)** (set the Radius to **10px** in the Options bar) and draw the knob of the sphere. Rotate it slightly with the **Free Transform tool (Ctrl + T)**. The clip will be a separate layer and placed under the layer of the sphere. The color used for this component is **# FEDF36**



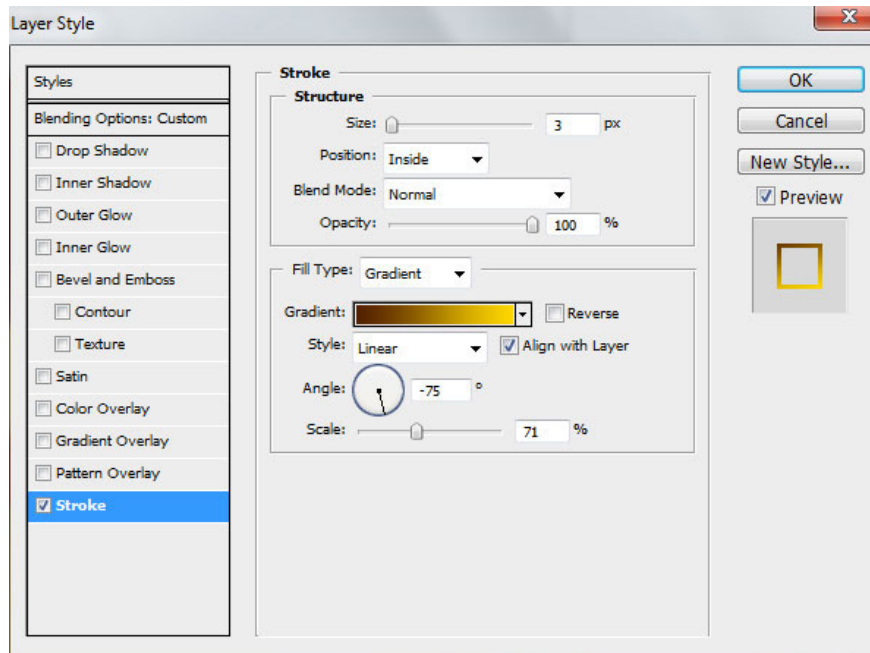
Use the **Pen Tool (P)** to draw more decorative borders for the sphere knob. Choose color as # **FB2D0C** . This layer will have to be placed under the bridge layer but above the bridge knob layer



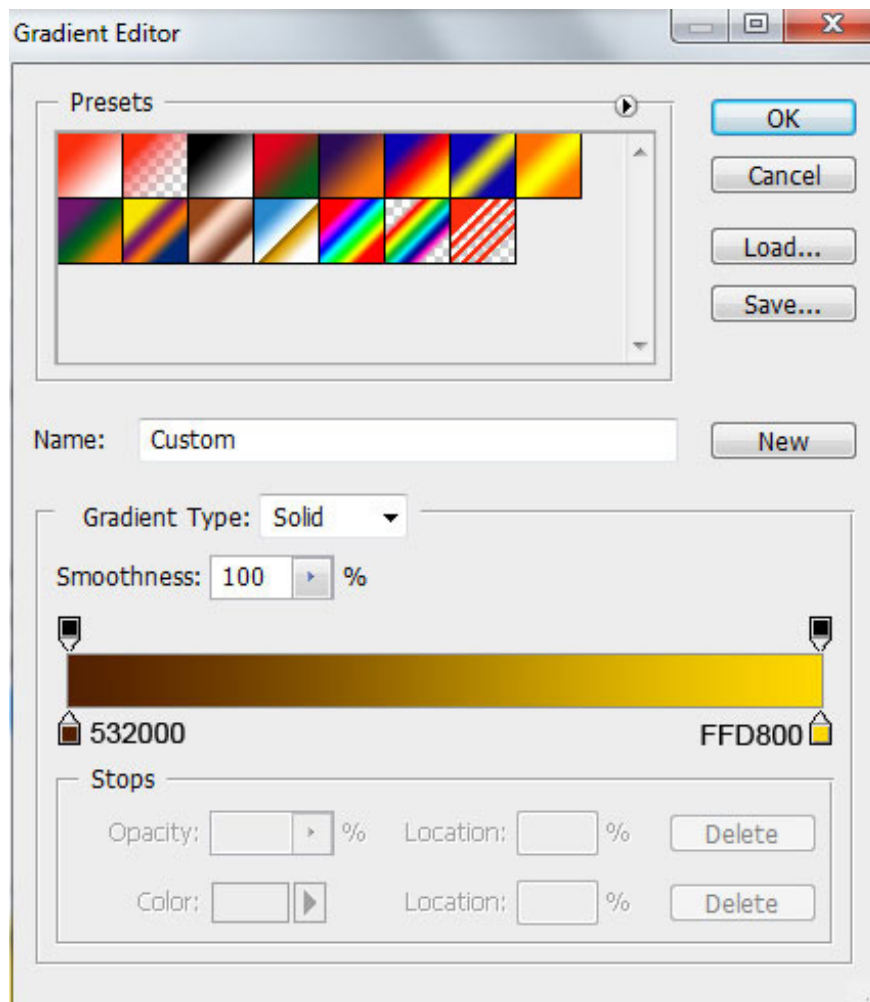
What to do now is draw a decorative sphere hook, using the **Ellipse Tool (U)** . This layer will be placed under the sphere knob layer.



Set Fill to **0%** . Go to **Add a layer style** at the bottom of the Layer panel and select **Stroke** :



Click on the color bar to open the Gradient Editor section and set the color as shown below. Then click **OK** to close the Gradient Editor dialog box.

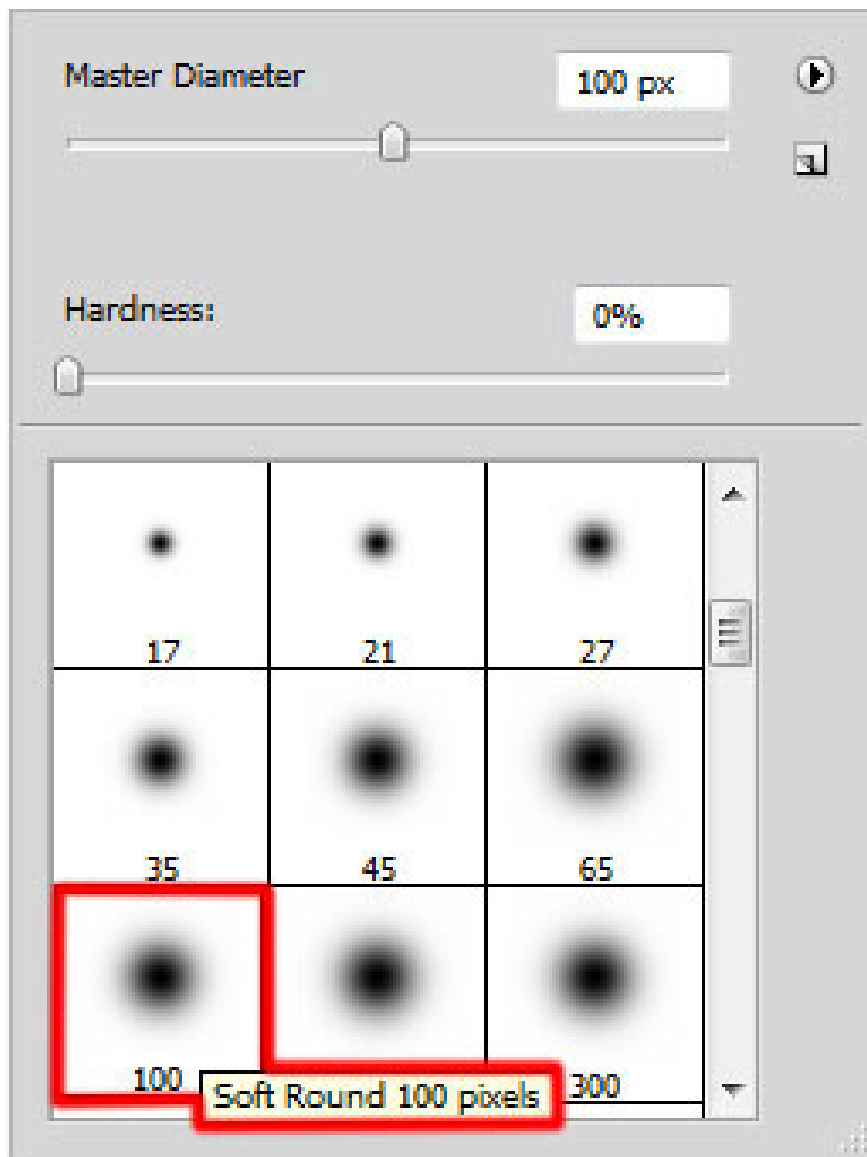


So we have completed the frame of the decorative sphere



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Choose **Soft Round** brush from **Brush Tool (B)**



Create a new layer and use the selected brush to draw a bright spot on the right corner of the sphere.



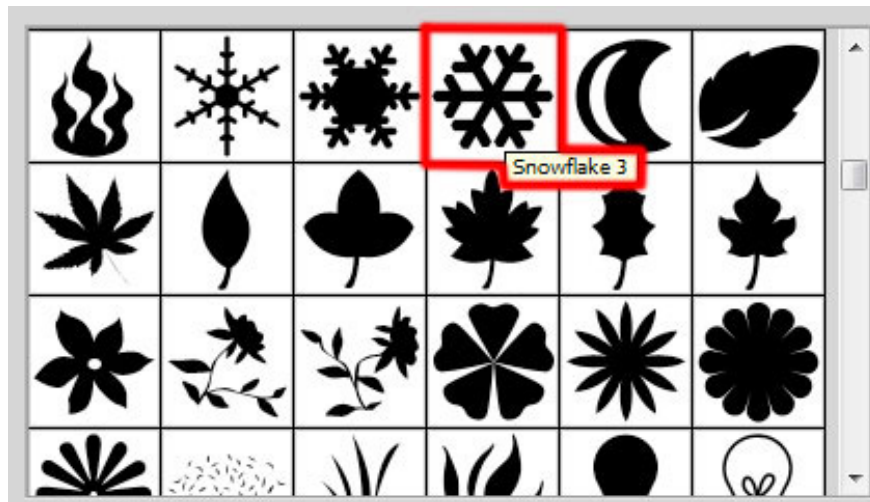
Select the **Add layer mask** item from the lower part of the Layer panel. Change the **Foreground** color to black, select the **Soft Round** brush with black color to remove unnecessary components:



Need to draw a bright white space in the right corner of the ball, using the **Pen** tool (**P**)



Use the **Custom Shape Tool (T)** to add snowflakes to the sphere (snowflake color is # F84202 )

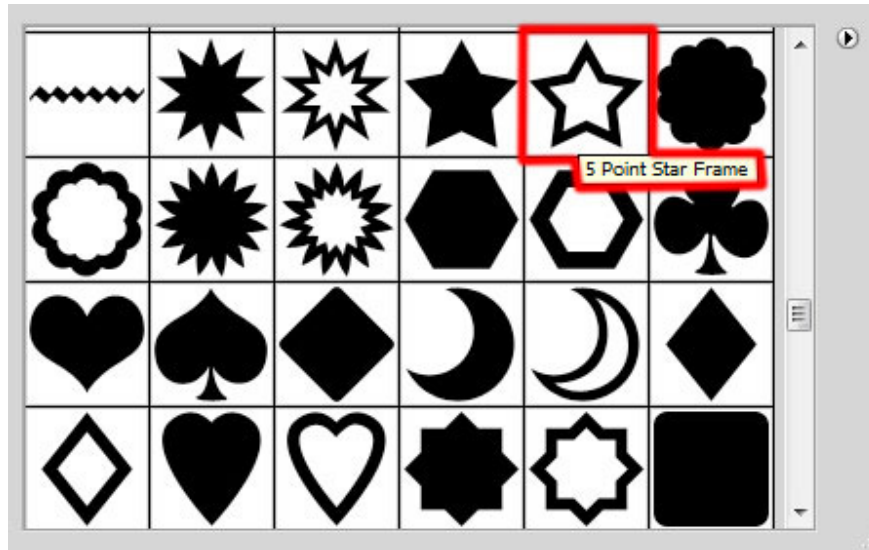




Group the entire Christmas globe drawing layer into a group (press **Ctrl** while selecting the layers, then drag the selected layers into the **Create new group** icon at the bottom of the Panel Layer. Make a copy of the medium group. Create then select the **Free Transform** tool (**Ctrl + T**) and rotate it a bit to put in the 2nd zero:



The final step is to create small stars using the **Custom Shape Tool (U)**.



And this is the final result:



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