MFC Hardwood Monogram Guidebook

The inspiration source for Hardwood Monogram was a unique design that was originally formatted as a stacking cameo monogram. This pattern has been expanded to create not only the original stacking cameo style, but also include the traditional smallcaps & Capitals monogram format. A bold variation has also been developed for those that require a stronger presence.

Hardwood Monogram is capable of several traditional monogram forms with unique detailing features utilizing Ligature & Stylistic Alternates features.

If you would like to learn more about traditional monogram formatting and rules, please feel free to visit our website and download our tutorial PDF, "Rules of Traditional Monogramming Explained" at http://www.monogramfonts.com/MonogramRules.pdf

Hardwood Monogram Styles

Hardwood Monogram supports one, two, three letter monograms, and numbered monograms (allowing commemoration, memorial, and other styles of labeling).

One letter monograms	Two letter monograms	Three letter monograms
Type any Capital letter	Type any two Capital letters	Type any lowercase + Capital + lowercase

Hardwood Monogram's numerals allow for even more personalized monograms. Simply surround any monogram with split or full numeral dates for a commemorative look. (See the example below.)
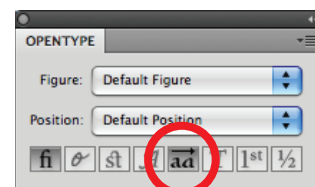
The stacking cameo version of Hardwood Monogram requires the Stylistic Alternates feature, available in most OpenType savvy applications, such as Adobe Illustrator CS (see Fig. 1). You can enable Stylistic Alternates and type out a two letter monogram to see the stacked cameo format auto-setup before your eyes.

Figure 1

The Stylistic Alternates option is selected here in the OpenType Palette...

Type any Capital letter followed by any lowercase letter with Stylistic Alternates enabled

If you want to create a more customized look, use a combination of the stacked cameo & standard numerals for an added emphasis.

And lastly, due to its building block styling, and Capitals/Smallcaps format, you can also use Hardwood Monogram for titling, if desired...

2013 BSA Basswood Builders Tournament
Bridgewater Virginia