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Handwritten Journal Entry

I've been thinking of new ways to journal. One idea was to handwrite a journal entry, so that's what I'm doing right now. I'm writing this on my Kindle Scribe. But today, I ordered both a Supernote Manta and Nomad. After all the success I've enjoyed with this scribe, I did some research into e-ink devices that are better suited for writing. The scribe is great for basic writing and with handwritten notes to annotate Kindle books. But I've found it lacks some advanced writing tools and features. And it isn't ideal for sketching. It isn't great for portability either. In my research, I found the Supernote Nomad to be perfect for an on-the-go digital notebook. It also has advanced writing and sketching tools and features. Upon further research, I found that some benefitted from also having the larger Manta as a second digital notebook. Both have the same features and can sync. The difference is in size. Nomad is portable and Manta is great at home. Seeing how others used both convinced me that would work best for me too.

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me in singing. It was our first time singing together and it was an unexpected blessing. When I wrote that and knew I would sing it, I had no idea she'd join in. Thank you, dear friend, for giving me my favorite moment today.

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