

Materials list- Watercolor Explorations Session 2

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1. PAPER: 100% cotton watercolor paper (300lb is best) I prefer cold press or rough press paper. My personal favorite is Arches 300 lb rough press watercolor paper (very pricey).

For a more cost effective option, get a watercolor pad or block. Just make sure it is 100% cotton paper, preferably cold press, and the highest lb paper you can find (I think most pads will be around 140lb). Arches and Canson watercolor pads or blocks are most common. 9"x12" paper size will work well for the class.

2. PAINT: Tube watercolor paints (please avoid getting the dry watercolor paints in the tins)

Necessary colors: Cadmium Red, Cadmium Yellow, Ultramarine Blue, and Lamp Black

Additional colors if you plan to continue watercolor painting: Burnt Sienna, Cerulean Blue, Hookers Green, Paynes Grey

Most paint brands should work fine as long as they are tube paints. I use Winsor and Newton, but Blick Brand and Holbein would also be good options.

Note: getting cadmium free paints are less toxic.

3. PALETTE: I prefer a porcelain enameled tray palette. Plastic palettes and even old ceramic plates would also work fine.

4. BRUSHES: A variety of Synthetic watercolor brushes (I would prioritize getting round brushes on the medium/larger size. Round sizes 6, 10, and 16 would be a good start) I use a variety of brands, Utrecht, Princeton, Winsor and Newton, etc..

5. CUPS/CONTAINERS: Any sort of cup or container to hold water, some people prefer to have 2 (a clean water and a dirty water specific cup) 1 will work just fine though.

6. RAGS/PAPER TOWELS: An old rag or some paper towels to dab water and paint out of your brush.

7. TAPE: (optional*) Some people like to tape down their paper to hold it in place or to get a clean edge once the painting is completed. Totally up to you if you want to bring tape. I've used blue painters tape in the past.

8. SPRAY BOTTLE (optional)

9. PENCIL & KNEADED ERASER

Links to general supplies below:

PAPER:

Arches Natural White Watercolor Paper |
BLICK Art Materials
dickblick.com



Arches Watercolor Blocks | BLICK Art
Materials
dickblick.com



Canson XL Watercolor Pads | BLICK Art
Materials
dickblick.com



PAINT:

Winsor & Newton Professional
Watercolor Tubes and Set | BLICK Art
Materials
dickblick.com



Blick Artists' Watercolor Tubes and Set |
BLICK Art Materials
dickblick.com



PALLETTE:

Richeson Butcher Tray Palettes | BLICK
Art Materials



dickblick.com

Blick Covered Palette | BLICK Art
Materials
dickblick.com



Folding Watercolor Palette | BLICK Art
Materials
dickblick.com



BRUSHES:

Utrecht Synthetic Sablette Brushes |
BLICK Art Materials
dickblick.com



Winsor & Newton Sceptre Gold II
Brushes | BLICK Art Materials
dickblick.com



All other materials can be found around the house.