

MY FAVORITE TOOLS TO PAINT WITH WATERCOLORS

Hello!!

If you have been watching my tutorials and are wondering which tools & materials I use to paint with watercolors, here you have my favorite list:

1. COLORS

I have several palettes and extra tubes to fill my palettes when I finish a color. The brand I always use is Winsor & Newton. It has a huge range of tones and they have two lines: Cotman & Professional.



For beginners:

If you are starting or just want to play around, I would recommend you to take the basic box of 12 colors from Winsor & Newton. Plus, it comes with a free brush that I personally love! Click the image to see prices & info.

Professional:

If you want to get the most from your paintings, I definitely recommend you to get the Professional line of colors. This is a list of my favorite extra colors:



Cadmium Orange



Potter's Pink



Winsor Red



Opera Rose



Cobalt Turquoise
Light



Prussian Blue



Hookers Green



Olive Green



2. PAPER

My favorite paper brand is Arches, but it's so expensive that I only recommend it if you are a professional...

The paper I usually use is The Watercolor Studio Cold Pressed 300g from the brand Fabriano. They have a whole range of papers & qualities but what I recommend you is to:

- Use cold pressed paper (it has less texture and is good for scanning)
- Use a paper of 300g/m² or more (if not, the water will deform the paper)

That's the block I use:

3. BRUSHES

Usually I paint with round brushes, but I have also some flat brushes. I have a collection of brushes going from number 0 (super thin) until 24 (super big).

For me, the bigger the brush the better, because it takes more water & more pigment and the brush strokes are much more interesting.

You don't need to get a natural brush, I personally always use synthetic or mixed brushes.

I love a brand called Escoda, it's from Barcelona.

I also love painting with water brushes. They offer a very good quality and definition on the strokes and they are very practical, since you don't need to carry water around :)





4. SCANNER

I'm a fan of EPSON scanners. I have a big printer for DIN-A3 papers that has a scanner too, but when it comes to traveling I always use the EPSON Scanner Perfection V39, which you can check by clicking the image on the left :)

Check my **Youtube videos** to know more on how to scan and clean your paintings with Photoshop :)



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