

# Painting with Pastels Materials List

## ***Necessary:***

Pastels: If you already have some pastels, bring them to the first class, we'll see if you have enough colors and values to work with.

- Option 1 - less expensive, limited value range Rembrandt Soft Pastel Set of 30 (or more, sets of half-sticks have twice more colors for the same price, it's true with other brands as well, half-sticks are a better way to start) This is a less expensive but more limiting option, particularly rich dark colors are missing. It's a good quality starter brand, but it remains very useful for the initial stages when slightly harder pastels are needed. The drawback of this set is the lack of really dark and lighter colors (which softer pastel brands provide, see option 2), so you will need to add them later.
- Option 2 - costs a bit more but excellent quality and color/value range, good investment A better way to go would be spending a bit more but getting a basic set of hard pastels (they are rather inexpensive) and a set of softer pastels with good range of colors. Both of these sets below would be needed as they complement each other and are used for different stages of the painting:
  - NuPastel Set of 36, Assorted Colors (hard pastels set, good for initial stages, inexpensive but good quality)
  - Cardboard Box Set of 80 Half Sticks, Plein Air Landscape set or Assorted Colors set (great brand, has nice rich darks and good range of colors/values). You might be able to get away with a smaller set (e.g. 40) but it's easier to start with a fuller range of values/colors.

### Pastel Paper:

- Canson Mi-Teintes Pastel Pads (assorted colors, 9"x12" pad) <http://www.jerrysartarama.com/paper/pastel-paper-and-boards/canson-mi-teintes-pads>
- UArt Sanded Pastel Paper, 400 grade (5-6 sheets, it depends on how fast you work. )

### Misc:

- Foam Boards 18"x24" (for attaching the pastel paper to them)
- Glassine (or tracing paper) to protect paintings
- Pencil 2B or softer
- Vine Charcoal
- Sketchbook
- Artist Masking Tape (1/2" is good)
- Disposable gloves (better to get vinyl gloves in case some have allergy for latex)

***Not required but useful tools:*** Gray Scale and Value Finder Viewfinder ("ViewCatcher" is good) Color Wheel \_\_\_\_\_