

Materials list – Versatile Colored Pencil

Drawing & Painting Botanicals

with wax-based permanent traditional Colored Pencils on different substrates

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There are many different brands of colored pencils on the market. I recommend materials of artists' quality, which are a pleasure to use and create lasting works. Artists/Professional-grade colored pencils have a high percentage of pigments and better quality binders & waxes. Therefore, do yourself a favor and buy the best materials you can afford!

Graphite pencils:

. 3 good quality graphite pencils – HB, 2H and 2B (I recommend Tombow Mono, Faber Castell 9000 or Staedtler)

Colored pencils:

1. A set of 12 good quality colored pencils (non-water-soluble!) When you start out, and don't own any good quality pencils yet, I recommend you buy a tin of the **Prismacolor Premier – Botanical Garden Set and supplement with the following: black grape, grayed lavender, true blue, process red.**

I also recommend: nectar, jade green, sand, dark green, Tuscan red & indigo blue to complete your starter palette.

2. Prismacolor Verithin pencils, minimum set of 12 (also available as open-stock. When purchasing individual pencils try to coordinate the colors with the hues in your basic set)

Brushes:

- . Small water-color scrubber brush
- . water-color brush with a good point, # 4 or # 6

Sharpener:

Preferably a portable battery-operated sharpener with a spiral (aka helical) blade.

Papers:

- . A pad of Sketch paper, minimum size 9" x 12" (Strathmore 300 Series is an acid-free, lightweight [50lb.] good sketch paper for classroom experimentation, practice of techniques and quick studies)
- . A pad of Tracing paper, minimum size 9" x 12" (Strathmore 300 tracing)

Erasers:

- . Plastic/vinyl eraser (the white Faber Castell dust free eraser is a good one)
- . Kneaded eraser
- . Tombow Mono-Zero pen-style-eraser, round, 2.3 mm (optional)

Miscellaneous:

- . Notebook
- . Proportional Dividers (optional)
- . Ruler, preferably a metal, cork-backed ruler, that is at least 12" long
- . Westcott C-Thru plastic ruler 6"
- . Magnifying glass (optional)
- . Eraser shield (optional)
- . Color wheel (preferably the Water Color Wheel)
- . Rubbing alcohol 80% or higher
- . Container to hold alcohol
- . Small spray bottle

Different substrates will be provided by instructor for a fee of \$ 20