

Perfect Partners! -Supply list

If you have watercolor experience, bring along the supplies you already have. Make sure you have tube watercolors, a #8 or #10 round brush, and a palette large enough to mix several tablespoons of paint.

If this is all new:

Start with purchasing paint in metal tubes. Plastic tubes or children's pans are not high enough in quality. I would suggest getting either the Academy line by Grumbacher or Cotman paints made by Winsor and Newton. These are student grade but perfect for learning. Get a small tube of the following colors: Cobalt blue hue, ultramarine blue, Cadmiun red hue Deep, Lemon yellow, (or Cadmium yellow pale,) burnt umber, and sap green. This is a good starter set.

Next get a round watercolor (short handle) brush, #8 or #10. Get synthetic hair, Taklon is good. Don't buy a sable brush for your first class! This is all you need to start, but you could add a #4 round and a ¾ inch flat if you wish.

For paper get a 9x12 inch, or larger, watercolor pad. Look for Strathmore 400 series (brown cover).

Get a plastic palette with small wells for the paint and larger areas for mixing. A covered palette is helpful if you paint outside.

For the colored pencils, bring any Non-water-soluble colored pencils. Prismacolor is a very good choice. A set of 12 or a range of individual pencils. If you have some and aren't sure, lay down a stamp size square and go over with a wet brush. If they bleed a lot, get the other kind.

Bring a roll of painter's tape and a plastic water container, 20 oz. or bigger.

If you are shopping locally, Michaels has these items. Dick Blick Art supplies is fast and about the least expensive.

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