

Pastel Supplies List

Pastels

There are many brands of pastel in varying degree of softness. An assortment of colors is very helpful. If you're just getting started, get a set of half-sticks. This gets you more colors at a reasonable price. Honestly, Blick are work-horse, middle of the road, nice quality. Rembrandt are harder, Unison is closest to Blick and Sennelier are usually super soft.

Suggestion: If you're buying your first set, start with a set of soft pastels: Set of 60 Half Sticks. If you'd like to augment these, I'd buy a set of hard pastels, as they are harder and work well when blocking in.

Paper:

- Mi Tientes Paper is unsanded, but specifically meant for pastel - nothing too expensive. It's readily available, but you'll most likely prefer:
- Sandpaper for pastels: 400 or 500 grit – this is the paper I use most often.

Drawing Board –

Spray Fixative (or Hairspray) –

Drawing Stumps or Tortillons – size doesn't really matter, but have a few of them.

Rubber Eraser - White Pearl

Vine Charcoal – Medium – any brand will do

Easel – (either standing or table)

Masking Tape – 1"

Scissors

Ruler

Pencil

Old Towel or paper towels

Source Material – landscape source material to which you're drawn.