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SMALL KIT PORTABLE PLEIN AIR ART MATERIALS

Small sketch books- 5X5 or 8X10

Empty watercolor palette fill with tubes of paint or small Winsor Newton (Cotman student grade or other)

I fill my own empty pallet-any brand with a hole for your finger

Basic watercolor paints:

Alizarin red, ultramarine blue, burnt umber, burnt sienna, yellow ochre, cerulean blue, sap green, gamboge

Winsor Newton or Daniel Smith but there are others-

I like a couple of cadmiums- red, orange and yellow for more intense, less transparent colors. There are lots of other colors but those are my basics- experiment-

Gouache - watercolor with white added-

I like my colors as transparent as possible-

Cotman is student grade- Has fillers which means less pigment- Artist grade is more expensive but since it has much less fillers there is much more pigment- More bang for your buck-

Experiment with a few brushes- They don't need to be expensive- I'm happy for my small travel kit with Cotman or other inexpensive brushes-

Princeton, Millers, Cheap Joes- I like flat and angled.

Faber Castell Pitt artist pen is an India ink pen which can be used under or over a painting- I like both black and dark sepia- Either F (fine) or S (super fine). There are other brands too.

Water- either a folding container or old film canisters

Pencil whatever hardness you like

Gum eraser can erase pencil right through watercolor

Clip on sun umbrella

Folding chair and table that hangs from my shoulder. There are different brands.

I also have larger pallets with a lot more colors but the small one is great for traveling

Small spray water bottle

Larger water container to refill. My main paint container is an old film canister stuck down with mounting putty-

iPad-

Brushes Redux, Procreate experiment and see what you like- Start with the free downloads and then upgrade to pay if you like the product-

Play, travel and have fun!