



DORRIE RIFKIN
WATERCOLORS

Plein Air Material List

Sketchbook/ Watercolor Paper or Watercolor Block:

- A sketchbook. I use a Stillman & Birn Beta Series 9" x 11" sketchbook. If you already have a sketchbook it will be suitable as long as the paper can take watercolor.
or
- (1 sheet) 140 lb Cold Press is good. Arches and Saunders Waterford but other papers will be suitable as well. (If you are using watercolor paper you will need a stretching board. I use masonite, or gator board and masking tape to affix the paper to the board.

DO NOT BUY STUDENT GRADE WATERCOLOR PAPER

Brushes: #1 round, #6 round and 1 inch wide flat *

Recommendations: Silver Brush - Golden Natural Brushes are good quality and reasonable cost. Good brushes can make a difference, but also can be pricey. Please do not buy expensive brushes unless you intend to continue to use them.

Paint: It is not important that you have the colors, that I will be using. A representative range of warm and cool colors is what matters most. Any **professional** brand will do.

Individual tube watercolors:

Yellows: Cadmium Yellow or Gamboge, Quinacridone Gold

Browns: Burnt Sienna

Blues: Cobalt Blue, Cerulean Blue, French Ultramarine Blue

Reds: Cadmium Red

Other reds, yellows and blues are ok if they are transparent or semi-transparent.

Beginner's Paint Recommendations:

If you buy a Red, Yellow and Blue you be able to mix most anything color.

Cadmium Yellow, Cobalt Blue, Cadmium Red

Plein Air Paint/Palette Recommendations:

QoR Mini

Palette Recommendations:

Mijello Airtight Watercolor 18-Well Blue Palette (Amazon \$9.20)

Miscellaneous: #2 pencil, white eraser; masking tape, hold paper to board (Gator board recommended)*, kitchen-type sponge (optional); water container; paper towels, Straight Edge, Camera

Important Non-Painting Related Essentials

Hat with wide brim

Dress Lightly and Layers/Comfortable Shoes

Sunscreen/Insect repellent

Water (don't want to get dehydrated)

Any Questions, feel free to contact me at drifkin@dorrierifkin.com or 201-913-1140.

<http://www.beginnersschool.com/2015/11/25/painting-en-plein-air-with-watercolors/#supplies>