

Chalk/Soft Pastel Painting Materials List (not oil pastel!)

Papers and boards

Pastel paper such as Canson Mi Teintes in gray tones such as steel grey, felt, sand etc.

Sanded pastel paper or board

Art Spectrum colored papers (can get a sample pack online at Jerry's, ASW etc.)

heavyweight watercolor paper works very well

9" x 12" to 18" x 24"

Pastels

1. A set of 24 to 48 assorted soft pastels.

Rembrandt, or similar recommended. Half-stick sets can be a good value. (softer)

2. A set of Nupastels (harder)

3. A 24 set of cheap square pastels (harder)

4. Pastel pencils would be a good option to complement to this collection

All brands of soft pastel are compatible and work well together. It is good to have a combination of harder and softer

Other supplies:

Drawing Board with clips to fit your paper

Vine charcoal soft

Kneaded Eraser

tortillon or stump

Workable fixative (we use this outside only)

glassine paper to protect your pastel paintings

Chamois

Avoid synthetic chamois! Buy a big car polishing leather chamois and cut it up; cheaper and lasts longer

Measuring Stick

A dowel, knitting needle, bamboo cooking skewer, or similar (I can provide a dowel for a quarter)

Baby Wipes

To clean your hands while working. You might want a skin barrier cream such as Avon's Silicone Glove to use prior to working. Some people use gloves, I personally cannot.