

Recharge Your Art - Mixed Media

What you will need

Subject Matter

This is **very important!!** I would like you to source from your garden and / or the surrounding countryside:

1. A variety of leaves of varying shapes and sizes - I appreciate that this is not so easy in winter but still possible!
2. A few feathers - whatever you've got / can find. Just three is fine large and small.
3. A 3D form - this can be ANY of the following. It is the form and surface pattern/ texture that is important:
 - A snail shell
 - A sea shell
 - An interesting piece of wood
 - An interesting piece of flint
 - OR something similar

Printing Materials

We will be doing some basic printmaking and all of the following will make this easier. **HOWEVER** it is possible to still manage without!

Ink: Black water based printing ink for example Essdee Block Printing ink £5.95 from Cass Art. **Alternative** - You can get away with black acrylic paint.

Ink Roller: Such as useful item for mark making if nothing else! Essdee ink roller 4" £6.95 Cass Art. **Alternative** - You can use a household paint brush.

Ink Tray: For rolling out the ink / paint. Again generally very useful mine have become palettes! Cass Art Essdee Ink Tray £3.50

Printing Plate: jacksonsart.com £5.70 **Alternative** - A4 sheets of acetate, not quite as robust but still work!

Paint

Acrylics are best for what will be doing. They are versatile, robust and allow for excellent coverage.

You can mix a wide range of colours from the dark and light primaries:

Dark - Ultramarine Blue, Cadmium Yellow & Cadmium Red

Light - Cerulean Blue, Lemon Yellow & Magenta

You will also need a White.

Brushes

It's good to have a variety of brushes in different shapes and sizes i.e Filberts, Flats, Rounds & Riggers. The Riggers are great for making long, flowing continuous lines. For bigger brushes DIY suppliers are great - they often come in nice sets!

Drawing Materials

A good selection - or basically whatever you've got! Pencils, charcoal, drawing ink, black & white oil pastels, black felt tip pens, black marker pens, coloured felt tips etc.

A GRAPHITE PENCIL is essential.

Other Materials

Tea, coffee, soil! All easily to source at the last minute!

Glue

PVA - cheapest from builders merchants but also in WHSmiths etc.

Pritt Stick

Mark Making Tools

You will need a few "found tools" for mark making. For example sticks, sponges, bubble wrap, old toothbrushes, little bits of wood or an old credit card etc. Start your collection now - if you haven't already!

Paper

A4 pack of printer paper: The sort you use in your printer at home / work.

If you can get hold of some of this in colour that would be useful but not essential.

Tissue Paper: white and a range of colours. You should easily get this in your local WHSmith or similar.

Cartridge Paper :

You will also need some cartridge paper. We will be working mainly A3 size with the option for going larger. You might like to buy a pad of heavy weight paper A2 size which you can then cut down.

Wrapping Paper / Old interesting scraps: Great for collaging which I'm sure you'll find around the home!

Supplier / Brands

www.cassart.co.uk

jacksonsart.com

Plus there is always Amazon!

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