

Australian Pastel Expo 2020: Materials List for Students

Anne Yang: Creating Depth in a Landscape – XW8

Pastels:

- An assortment of soft pastel colours. Suggested suitable brands of soft pastels include Art Spectrum and Rembrandt. (Other brands I enjoy using include Mt Vision, Sennelier, Unison, and Terry Ludwig.) Bring an assorted range of landscape colours.
- As a general guide, if you are buying pastels individually, look at an artist's colour wheel and try to include each of the colours around the wheel, include lighter tints, and darker tones also. (Yellow; yellow orange; orange; red orange; red; red violet; violet; blue violet; blue; blue green; green and yellow green.)
- Art Spectrum brand of soft pastels have some good boxed sets for landscape as well as individual coloured sticks. Some suggested additional colours for painting landscape and water scenes: (Art Spectrum) Phthalo blue X530, V530 for painting sky; Phthalo Green D570; Australian Grey P596; Flinder's Red violet D517; A selection of grey greens, eg Raw Umber, Greenish Umber, Green grey, Australian leaf green light and Tasman blue and Jacaranda. Earthy tones including umbers, siennas are found in nature also.

Paper:

- I mostly use Art Spectrum Colourfix Sanded paper, as this has good tooth to hold the pastel.
- Suggested neutral paper colours to begin with include soft umber or elephant. 1 sheet 70x50 cm approx. We will most likely work on a cut ¼ sheet.

General:

Charcoal - A stick of willow or vine charcoal

Eraser - Putty rubber (kneadable eraser)

Easel - table or standing

Backing board – well-padded and larger than your paper

Reference material: A viewfinder (for plein-air workshop) and a landscape photograph you would like to paint from. Enlarge the photograph to about a 10 x 8 inch size. Print on photo paper. (You can make your own viewfinder from cardboard with a rectangular cut out from centre 5.5x8.5cm).

Masking tape

Pair of scissors

Ruler

2 or 3 Bulldog clips (black ones)

A newspaper

Wet ones/hand wipes

An artist colour wheel

A4 Visual diary

Drop sheet, can be on old sheet or tablecloth