

# Watercolor 1: Beginning Course

## Material List

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A material list has been created for you on the Dick Blick website. Merely go to the Dick Blick link at the bottom of this page and print out the list. Most items listed are available on **Amazon** and at **University Art** on "J" Street in Sacramento. **Blick** also has a fully stocked store on Howe Avenue. **Hobby Lobby** may have some materials (check prices).

If you decide to go to an art store (do not go to Michaels or Aaron Brothers) instead of ordering on-line, be sure that you get the required sizes and quality of pencils, charcoal, erasers, blenders, and papers. Take your printed out list with you after you cross out the items you already have.

The Blick ordering page has the correct amounts already indicated in the "Buy" box. If you need all the "REQUIRED" items, just click "ADD TO CART". If you already own some items, just remove the "Buy" amount from that box and type in "0" amount for that item.

### **Watercolor Papers:**

In Watercolor 1 we use 7.5X11 inch (1/8 Imperial sheet) papers for the homework projects. To save the student money, I had them use student grade papers. With watercolor being such a fickle and frustrating medium to learn, the student grade paper took its toll on their development. I have since decided to require that students use the standard professional paper (Arches, 140 lb., cold press, white). In the material list they buy two sheets of Arches paper (22X30 inches) and cut each of them into eight 7.5X11 inch sheets. That gives them 16 projects. I also included a pad of the student grade paper for class exercises. They need both.

### **Mounting Boards:**

Student will need 4-6 mounting boards for stretched water color papers. Boards should be 8" x 12" x 1/4" (or thicker if cheaper). Home Depot will help find and cut for you. Try to get finished lumber grade like basswood. If you get plywood, get outdoor. Need to be sanded for rough edges.

**If ordering from Dick Blick on line, do it prior to three (3) weeks before first class meeting.** Blick shipping is not like Amazon. If you miss this deadline or are ordering late, take your list and go to the Dick Blick store on Howe Avenue or University Art on J Street and ask for help. Make sure Blick gives you the on-line prices and discounts offered on your print out.

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Link to Dick Blick on-line material list for Watercolor 1:

<https://www.dickblick.com/lists/blicku/0J8S43LFFYXJT/publicview/>

### **Better Grade Paints and Brushes:**

If you are convinced that you will pursue watercolor in the future, or taking Watercolor 2, it is highly recommended that you substitute the paints and brushes in the "Watercolor 1 Material list". It is a big price jump. This is the link to the "Watercolor 1 Better Materials" ordering page:

<https://www.dickblick.com/lists/blicku/JHPKCXGZ0VFAZ/publicview/>