Ghost Ranch Materials List 2026

You can purchase most of these materials online - links below - or find similar products at your local art supply store. (Professional brands and notes are in parentheses)

When it comes to watercolor, you really get what you pay for! PLEASE ARRIVE WITH GOOD QUALITY MATERIALS!

Watercolor Materials:

10x14" watercolor paper block, preferably 100% cotton (Arches, Fabriano Artistico, Strathmore)

**We'll use templates that have been created for the 10x14" paper dimensions.. I paint small!

Portable tray of watercolors OR whatever you currently work with. (Daniel Smith, Windsor and Newton, Schmincke, Old Holland, Da Vinci)

**You also have the option to purchase an 8 color palette that I have organized specifically for Ghost Ranch and Northern New Mexican landscapes from local world-class watercolor maker L'Ecole Des Beaux Arts - link below.

Round watercolor brushes, size 10, 8 and size 4, 2 (Princeton Velvetouch)

**If you prefer the brushes you currently paint with, no need to buy more! I just favor the round Princetons.

Mottler brush size 1, or other flat brush (this is a must)

2 small jars with lids for painting water

Absorbent paper towels (shop towels)

A camera/ phone with a camera - An iPad or tablet could be useful for painting from images taken.

Sketchbook 6 x 8" or 8 x 10"

HB (#2) pencil with sharpener/eraser

A pocket color wheel (great to have around when you're learning color theory!)

Supplies for painting outside

Water bottle for drinking!!

Attire - sun hat, sun screen, long sleeves, pants, closed toed shoes

A lightweight collapsible chair or stool

Plein air easel (watercolor field easel) OR small folding table - a TV tray works!

- Aim for comfort: you'll want to sit, have a flat place for your watercolor paper, paint, and jar of water
- If creating an outdoor setup seems daunting, we have basic materials to share.

LINKS FOR MATERIALS on www.jerrysartarama.com

Watercolor Paper, \$48

https://www.jerrysartarama.com/fabriano-artistico-traditional-white-watercolor-block-140lb-10x14in-cold-press-20-sheets-v34551

Watercolor Set: I've listed a few here for you to choose from..

**Handmade in Santa Fe - L'Ecole Des Beaux Arts, the 8 color paint kit I use. \$156

https://www.ldbabrooklyn.com/shop/xde2hm3my8ankslyc8greldsui0sxj-xt9q2

Daniel Smith is great quality, \$66

https://www.jerrysartarama.com/daniel-smith-half-pan-watercolor-metal-box-set-12-v33787

Introductory, but still a good set, \$56

https://www.ierrvsartarama.com/winsor-newton-cotman-water-colour-sets-0033142000000

Round watercolor brushes, size 10, 8, size 4, and mottler:

My preferred brushes are the Princeton Brand, Velvetouch series

https://www.jerrysartarama.com/princeton-velvetouch-synthetic-blend

Sketchbook: 8x10 or similar size

https://www.jerrysartarama.com/strathmore-400-drawing-and-sketch-pads

Color wheel:

https://www.jerrysartarama.com/color-wheels-0063388000000

I don't have links for the plein air set up, please research possible options and let me know if you have questions!

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