

Sean's Watercolor 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" cold press watercolor paper block, preferably 100% cotton (Arches, Fabriano Artistico, Strathmore)

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

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.

1 large or 2 medium sized jars for painting water

Absorbent paper towels (blue shop towels can be found at AutoZone or Costco)

A camera/ phone with a camera - A smart phone or tablet is useful for painting from images taken.

A few sheets of paper or sketchbook 6 x 8" or 8 x 10"

HB (#2) pencil with sharpener/eraser OR mechanical pencil

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 OR masonite clip board.

- Aim for comfort: you'll want to sit, have a flat place for your watercolors, paper, and water jar.
- If creating an outdoor setup seems daunting, we have basic materials to share.
- I recently found a plein air box online that works quite well (link below)!!

LINKS FOR MATERIALS on www.jerrysartarama.com

Cold Press 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 SUN & SHADOW watercolor palette I use. \$156

<https://www.ldbabrooklyn.com/shop/xde2hm3my8qkkslyc8greldsui0sxj-xt9g2>

Daniel Smith is great quality, \$66

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

Introductory set, \$56 (**spend \$10 more and buy DANIEL SMITH!**)

<https://www.jerrysartarama.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>

U.Go plein air box (you'll need a tripod with a quick release to connect it, which they also sell)

https://www.jerrysartarama.com/u-go-8-4x11-25-pochade-box?qad_source=1&qad_campaignid=23248072947&qbraid=0AAAAAD_sa4aS-pRI6Y49Yzr0cnJlswOem&gclid=CjwKCAjw1N7NBhAoEiwAcPchpyICmPhG0EWetNJYm00h0fMVuR6yv0q5XbHgGXkou2CVTKcwD2S5URoCz1qQAvD_BwE

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