

# Whimsical Watercolor Birds

with Cori Derfus

## Supply List

This is a list of recommended supplies for the watercolor bird class. I limited the palette of colors to what we will use for this class. These colors I use for a lot of bird paintings. You can add to this as you grow your palette and decide which colors you enjoy using the most. Pan paints and tube paints are available. Either work great. You only need the smaller tubes as a little goes a very long way. If you're looking to buy a set, M.Graham does make some great color sets with useful colors. In general, buying individual colors is most cost efficient so you don't end up paying for colors you don't need/use.

### Watercolor Paints:

Hansa Yellow or Cadmium Yellow  
Gamboge or Cadmium Orange  
Pyrrol Red or grumbacher red  
Cerulean blue  
Prussian blue  
Violet (mineral violet or cobalt violet)  
Permanent green  
Raw umber

### *Optional\**

Alazarin Crimson\*  
Olive or sap green\*  
Chinese white\*

### Brushes:

Sable, natural or blended hold water the best.  
Sizes: 00, 4 and 8 round watercolor brushes

### Paper:

You want a sturdy watercolor paper, but only need a couple sheets or small pad.

Recommended papers:

Strathmore, Fabriano or Arches, 140lb cold press, small pad or one large sheet to cut down into 8x10 or 6x9 size

### Other supplies:

Palette - Small plastic round watercolor palette works great

Pencils - HB or 2B, 3B and 6B

Blending Tortillon

Kneaded eraser

LED drawing box (can use a window with light source in a pinch)

Hair dryer (optional, speeds up drying for those who are impatient)

Flat board - Masonite or other inexpensive wood board to work on, 11x14-ish in size, can use foam cor in a pinch

Artist/painters tape

Water container/jar

Towel or absorbent cloth