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**TOP TIPS USING
THE PASTEL SHADES
PAINT PAN SET**

TEN TOP TIPS

- 1 Dilute the pastel paints with water to create subtle washes of delicate pale colour.



- 2 Intensify colours by using less water and using directly from the block in the palette to create bold and beautiful colours.



- 3 Prevent any pigment lifting off when layering, by allowing previous layers to dry thoroughly first.



- 4 To create smooth, paint effects and even out paint strokes, use a diluted wash of the same colour to paint over the top which will even out all the paint strokes when drying, just like using gouache.



- 5 Leave any air bubbles alone as the paint dries, they will dissipate on their own.



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6 There are two greys in the set, one is Silver Blue and is very much a cold grey and the other is Storm Grey, which is a warm grey, both of these can be used to create shadows and shading of different temperatures.



7 If used on a smooth paper and left to totally dry, the pastel paint can be totally erased. Use a good quality polymer or vinyl eraser to lift off the pigment to create exciting mark making and textures.



8 Just like pastels, leave previous layers to dry and paint light over dark. Experiment with playful colour layers using thick opaque colour consistencies to push depth and tone.



9 The metallic pan set is a perfect companion to the pastel paints. Try using the metallic paint on top of the pastels for highlights that pop and add definition and shine.



10 Derwent Inktense works so well with the pastel paints. Use inktense first then add opaque layers of bright pastel shades over the top. You can even mix the two paint ranges together to expand the palettes even further.

