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Supply List

Sketchbook

Pick one that feels comfortable to you. I like 6x9 hardcover journals (the kind available at Michaels or Fred Meyers), but we'll be using watercolors, so you may prefer to a sketchbook with mixed-media or watercolor paper. Spiral-bound sketchpads also work, but it can be awkward to bump against the spirals at times.

Pencil

Any standard HB pencil. You may also want to experiment with a H or 2H pencils, a mechanical pencil, or even a light blue or sienna pencil. (I like the lighter H and 2H pencils to avoid pencil smudges, while the blue/sienna colors work well with watercolors.)

Eraser(s)

Any basic eraser. (My favorite is the Staedler Mars Plastic eraser.) Kneadable erasers are also useful for lightening pencil lines without erasing them completely.

Pen(s)

A ballpoint works great for sketching. Optionally, waterproof pens (such as the micron fineliner) are useful as well.

Watercolors

Any set with the three primary colors and a couple extras. For beginners on a budget, the Prang 16-Oval tray is a good option. If you want to a more mid-level set, look for the Winsor-Newton Cotman Field Travel set (make sure it includes Permanent Rose and Ultramarine).

Paint brushes For travel, I like to use a set of Pentel Aquash brushes. You can use any standard watercolor brushes, though, preferably with a small and medium round brush and one larger round or flat brush.

Other gear

A small tub for water, plus paper towels or a rag. I also like to have a small ruler and either a magnifying lens or loupe, but will bring some spares for this class.