

Essential Drawing For The Painting Practice

Course Supply List

For Drawing:

- Pencil set: Blick and General's are fine brands. Be sure there is a full range of H and B
Helpful links
<https://www.dickblick.com/products/blick-studio-drawing-pencils/>
<https://www.dickblick.com/products/generals-kimberly-drawing-pencils/>
- Pencil sharpener of your preference.
- Erasures: One *art gum* and one *kneaded*. Easy on surfaces designed for painting. Blick, Prismacolor, and Cretacolor are fine brands.
Helpful links
<https://www.dickblick.com/categories/drawing/erasers/graphite/>
<https://www.dickblick.com/search/?q=kneaded%20erasure>
- Blending stump of your preference

For Station:

- Drawing pad: 9 x 12 inches. Blick Studio and Strathmore 400 series are fine brands.
Helpful link
<https://www.dickblick.com/categories/drawing/paper/sketch-pads/>
- If you have a 9 x12 inch sheet of watercolor paper, we will do one drawing on this for context, but will not be continued to learn basic theory. Cold pressed preferred (140 lb), sheets or block (Arches or Strathmore are fine brands).
- Easel (not mandatory, but helpful): This will be entirely up to you and your needs. If you have a standing easel and/or tabletop easel at home, we will use these to draw on the surface vertically. If you want to acquire one, assuming you will also be painting with watercolor later, purchase one that can be adjusted from 30 to 90 degrees.
Helpful link
<https://www.dickblick.com/categories/furniture/easels/tabletop/>
- Surface board and painters tape: Ampersand has a perfect surface
Helpful link
<https://www.dickblick.com/products/ampersand-hardbord/?fromSearch=%2Fsearch%2F%3Fq%3Dampersand%2520hardbord>

Side notes:

It is beneficial to work with the drawing surface vertically to effectively judge elements of design. Mount your paper to board and use a standing easel at home if you have one, or a small table top easel will be fine. I will leave it up to you. It's about your comfort. Easels are not required but will make employing these techniques much easier and enjoyable.