

Materials List for Quick Study Still Life Workshop  
with Peggy Nichols

**1. Rembrandts Soft Pastel Set / Soft Pastel**

**15 Half Sticks / Assorted / For more colors: ( highly recommend ) there is a set of 30 Assorted Half Sticks ( both set, reasonably priced )**

**Note:** Michaels does not have Half Sticks in the Rembrandt sets listed above. They have mostly the full sticks. Other excellent pastel art supply online stores are [www.dickblick.com](http://www.dickblick.com) or Dakota Art Pastels at [www.dakotapastels.com](http://www.dakotapastels.com)  
Do not buy Alphacolor Pastels. Too dusty, will not adhere well.

**2. Pastel Pencils**

Set of Assorted colors + black, white and an earth tone. ( highly recommend Conte Paris )

**Note:** Do not buy General's Multipastel Chalk Pencil set. They are too hard!

**Good brands:** Gioconda, Derwent, Carbothello, Faber-Castell, Caran D'Ache

**3. Pastel Paper / Canson Mi-Tientes**

Canson Mi-Tientes White Pad 9 x 12 inches or larger or Strathmore Pastel Pad 9 x 12 inches or larger.

**Note:** Canson Mi-Tientes ( if you would like to work larger ~ optional )

Package of 10 single sheets / 19.5 x 25.5 inches ~ Shade: white

Artisan or [www.dickblick.com](http://www.dickblick.com)

**4. One sheet of sanded pastel paper or 140 lb. Watercolor paper**

**5. Coates Vine Charcoal** ~ package of 3 or a box.

**6. 2-3 Sand Paper Blocks ~ Extra Fine Grit** ( for sharpening charcoal and pastel pencils )

Home Depot or Lowes

**7. Kneaded Eraser**

**8. Color Shapers / Tools** for blending pastel ~ 2-3 shapes / small to medium. Sometimes you can find them in sets.

**9. Spray Fixative** ~ Kryolan Workable Fixative

**10. Cotton Gloves** ( optional, to protect hands )

**11. VIVA Paper Towels**

**12. Drawing Board**, sturdy, preferably wood

**13. Easel** ~ Highly recommended

**Note:** You cannot work on a flat surface, like a table, with pastel. Your drawing surface must be upright.

**14. Artist tape or Push Pins**

**15. Box Knife** ( for sharpening pastel pencils )

**16. Bamboo skewer or pencil** ( for measuring / bamboo skewer highly recommended )

**17. WetOnes** ( for cleaning hands and tray of easel at the end of the day )

**Where to get your pastel supplies:**

Favorite: <http://www.dakotapastels.com> ( they will give a student discount )

[www.dickblick.com](http://www.dickblick.com)

**Artisan ~ As long as you call them early** to make sure they have what you need. At least two weeks in advance, if you live in ABQ. Notoriously low on pastel art materials. Not sure about SF. Might be better since the main store is there.

**Michaels** ~ has a limited amount of decent art materials in the store. **Better buying online!**

They do have some things that are listed above in pastel pencils and the Pastel paper pads but try to get your pastel half sticks somewhere else. **Artisan is better for paper.**