How To **Crystal Painting Using Colour Theory**





Get Started What You'll Need



PD479A614 Watercolour Tablets Set of 14





PD989A **Drawing Gum**

PB051B Spectrum Artist Watercolour Pad



Student Round Synthetic Short Brushes

DP292 Spectrum Graphite Pencil Sets





PA016 **Coloured Water Pots** Coloured

Step by Step LET'S CREATE



For this technique you will need: Watercolour paper or pad, watercolour tablets, drawing gum, small paint brushes, and some crystals to draw from or imagery. TIP: You may want to photograph your crystals and zoom in to focus on a certain area which has a variety of highlights, tone and colour.



Next, using drawing gum and a thin brush, paint over the areas containing highlights from your crystal or drawing. These areas will remain white at the end and act as a mask.



Next, focus on painting the darker shades and mid tones by mixing shades of green.



Begin by lightly sketching out the crystal outlines, focusing on where your highlights and shadows will be.



Allow the drawing gum to dry; it will stay blue! Paint your darkest shadow areas using black or mixing shades of grey.



Once dry, the last stage is to mix and add the lightest shades of the crystal. You can also go back and add further tonal shades on top for further detailing.

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Peel off the dried drawing gum using the end of a paint brush or rubbing with your finger. Your white highlights will be left underneath.



Finally, add subtle shading or background around the crystal. Once dry, your painting is complete!