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Paint by Number Deluxe Seahorse & Friends #14555

Learn tips and techniques that show how to create with Connector Watercolor Paints

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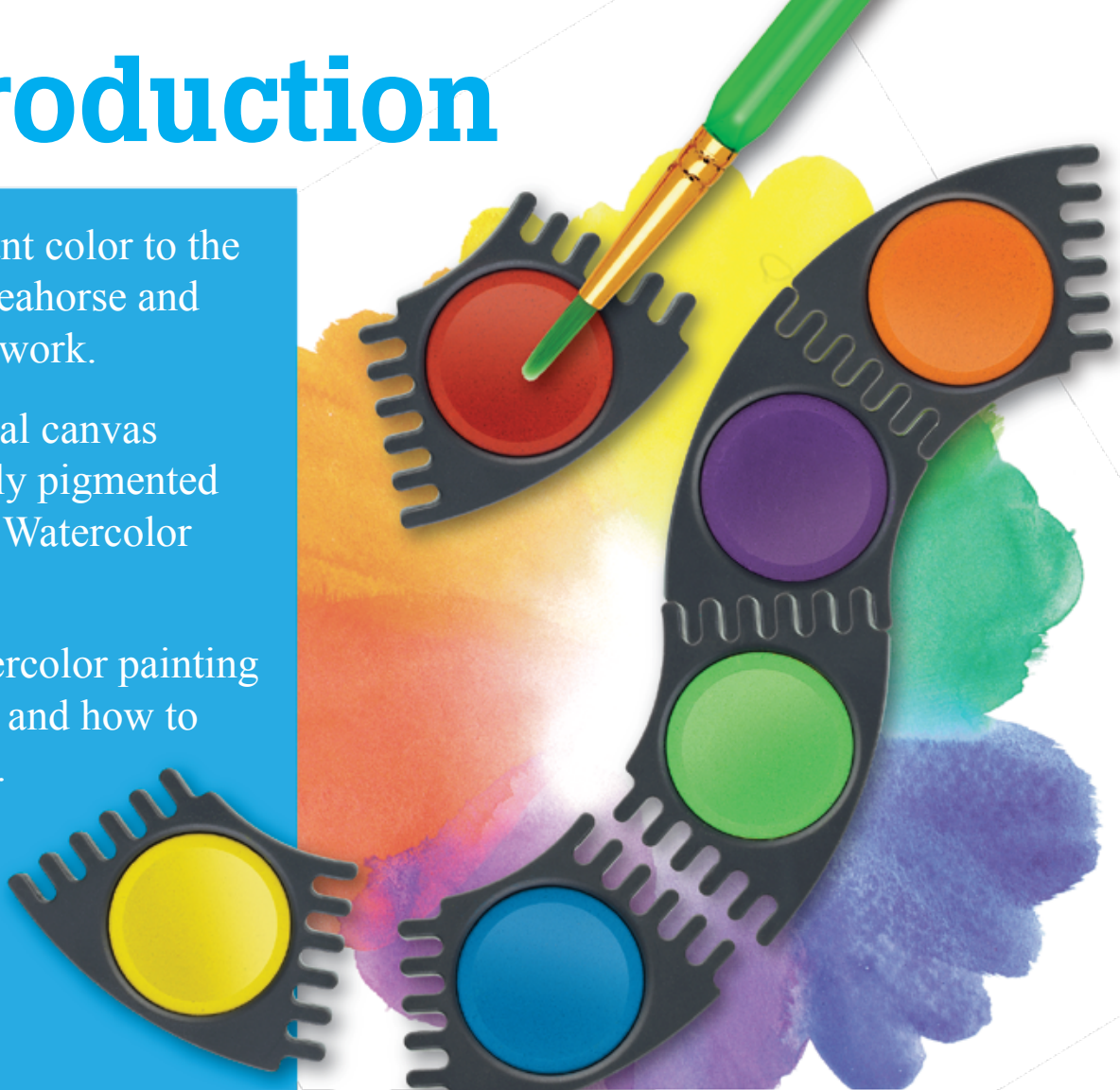
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Introduction

Add brilliant color to the adorable Seahorse and Friends artwork.

Paint on real canvas using highly pigmented Connector Watercolor Paints.

Learn watercolor painting techniques and how to mix colors.



Time to Prep

Important Information about this Paint

The paint included is a specially formulated non-toxic paint. Although the paint is washable from skin with soap and water, it may stain some surfaces. Cover your work surface with newspaper. Wear old clothes or a paint smock. Have a cup of water and paper towels handy and clean up any spills immediately while the paint is still wet. For best results, wash your brushes with water after each use.



Please note,

You will be using the tray as your water dish and mixing palette.

Using the Watercolors

Use the included watercolor paper to try these watercolor techniques before you begin painting your canvases. You can also create paintings of your own.

Watercolor paints are colored pigment that mix with water to color or dye your paper.

Just dip the tip of your brush into the water. Gather some pigment onto the brush by gently pushing the brush into the watercolor cake.

Drag the brush over your paper. The more pigment you gather, the darker the color will appear. If you have a lot of water in your brush, the color will appear lighter.

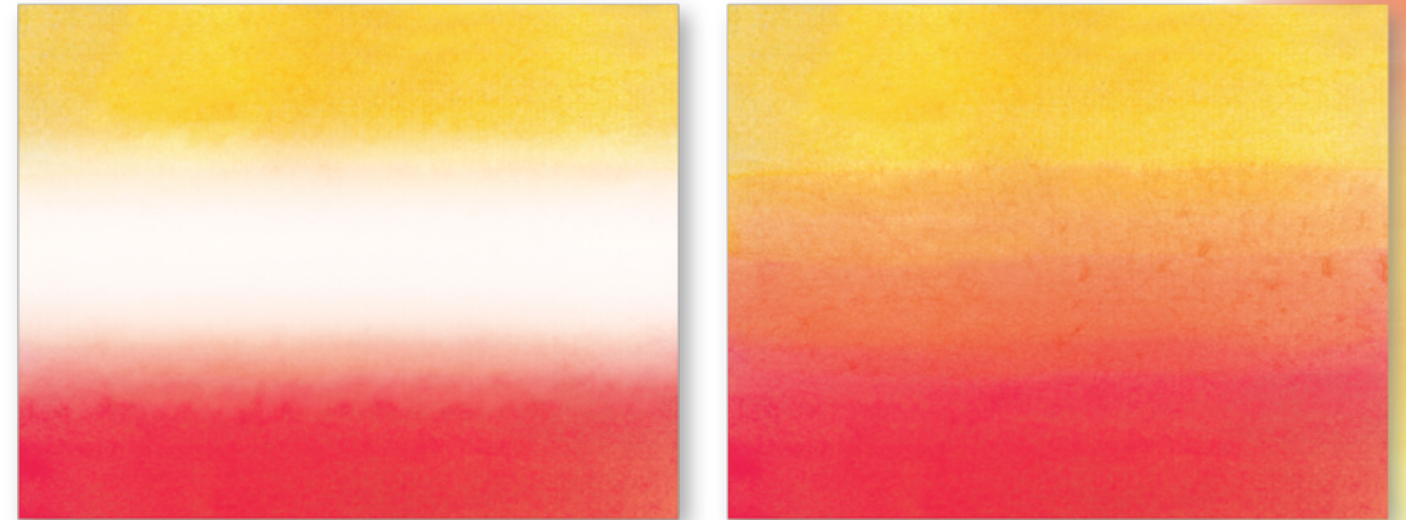
If you're creating puddles of water on your paper, you have too much water in your brush. Use a paper towel to soak up excess water off your paper.



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Paint Blending

Apply one color to the top half of the paper and another color on the lower half allowing them to touch in the center. You should be able to blend the colors well if the paint is still wet. Make a sunset by using three or four colors.



4.

Paint Mixing

Gather one color on your brush and tap it into one of the cavities on your tray. Dip your brush into the water and let it drip into the cavity. Dip your brush into the water and let it drip into the cavity. Rinse your brush and gather another color of paint and tap it into the same cavity of your tray. Mix the colors together. Add more color or water as needed. Test your color on the paper provided.



Wet on Wet

Wet your paper with water using the brush. While the paper is still wet, apply some color onto the paper. The color will bleed from where you applied it onto other wet parts of the paper. Sometimes you can control where the color will bleed by holding your paper up and letting the color drip down.

Try painting a color on your paper and while it's still wet, lightly tap water onto your paper with the brush. The color will move away from where the water lands creating a fun sprinkle effect.



Painting by Number

Paint your design using your own color choices or use the Color Guide to see which paint color should be used in each section.

Begin at the top of the design and paint all sections with the same number.

Clean your brush before moving to another color.



7.

Finishing

When all the sections are painted, review your work and add any finishing touches.

Allow the paint to dry completely before applying the double-sided mounting tape to the top and bottom center of the back of your painting.

Center the painting over the foam and press down firmly.

Flip the foam over. Place a plastic hanger in the top center of the foam so it hangs straight.

Hang your art and admire!



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