



PLEIN AIR PAINTING CHECKLIST

Checklist of the essential and optional tools to
start your painting adventure outside

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Countless times I went outside to paint *en plein air* and I forgot to bring some *essential* tool, such as my watercolor paints or my bottle of water...

And finally I decided to create this checklist so nobody ever forgets again! 🙄

I created one for watercolors and another one for traditional gouache. Of course this is my personal list and it is possible that you find some material you don't use so feel free to ignore it!

If you are new to the world of painting outdoors, please take into account you don't need every supply listed here, just take the essentials and enjoy the fresh air outside!

In the following pages you'll find:

- Essential plein air painting checklist
- Optional plein air painting checklist
- Specific links to my favorite tools



Hi, I'm Afri!

I'm a watercolor and gouache artist in love with nature and landscapes.

My goal is to inspire you to unleash your creativity and to show you how painting outside could be good for your soul!





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Essentials

- Paint tubes or pans (watercolor / gouache)
- Mixing palette
- Brushes: At least a small and a medium size
- Watercolor sketchbook or paper sheets
- Bottle full of water
- Paper towels or cloth rags
- Empty glass jar or empty container with lid
- Pencil / mechanical pencil
- Eraser
- Small trash bag





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Optional

- White marker / white gouache
- Masking tape
- Waterproof graphic pens
- Portable Easel + tripod if your easel needs it
- Foldable Chair or camping blanket to sit on the floor
- Snacks :)

TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE WEATHER!

- Sunscreen
- Hat or cap
- Umbrella
- An extra layer, a scarf and/or gloves





TOOLS I USE

Watercolor



Watercolor paints:

- [Simone Michiels](#) (handmade)
- [Tiny Clouds](#) (handmade)
- [Schmincke](#)
- [Holbein](#)
- [Daniel Smith](#)



[Portable Painter](#) or [simple metal tin](#)



Sketchbooks:

- [Etchr Everyday Sketchbook](#)
- [Koval Sketchbook](#)



[Escoda travel brushes](#)



[Portable Easel Stablo](#)



[Foldable Chair](#)



[Regular masking tape](#)




[Sensitive masking tape](#)



[Waterproof graphic pens](#) or [fountain pen](#)

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TOOLS I USE

Gouache



Gouache paints:

- [Schmincke](#)
- [Holbein](#)
- [Arteza](#)



Sketchbooks:

- [Etchr Everyday Sketchbook](#)
- [Koval Sketchbook](#)



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