

Important Information about this Paint

- The paint included is a non-toxic, acrylic paint that dries permanently on most surfaces, so be careful!
- Cover your work surface and wear a smock or old clothes. This paint may stain fabrics and furniture. Clean up any spills immediately while the paint is still wet.
- Have water and paper towels handy for cleaning and drying your brush.
- Paint can settle and separate over time. Mix each color thoroughly before you begin painting. If the paint seems too thick, stir in a drop or two of water.
- Have a scrap piece of paper handy to use as a palette for mixing colors.

1 Wash Mix Yellow+ green 5 Green 9 Yellow 2 Purple 6 Mix White+Green 10 Dry Brush 3 Wet on Dry Layer dark blue over purple very purple Wet on Dry Mix Purple + Orange 4 Orange 8 Very Met on dry Green & a few Brown Strokes

Tips - for applying the paint

"Irises" is part of the Post-Impressionist style of art. Like Impressionism, brush strokes were used to show motion, but Post-Impressionism allowed unnatural colors and forms to be distorted or geometric. This style is flexible by not having to completely stay inside the lines, so it's ok if you don't.

Applying a "Wash"- a wash is when you paint an area with a thin
coat of paint. Use 2 or 3 drops of water to thin your paint. You'll use
this technique for all of the canvas labeled with #1



• "Wet on Dry"- This requires painting one color first, letting it dry, then painting another color over top as in #3. You'll use this technique when adding "strokes" of color either vertical or horizontal, as in #7 & #8.



• "Dry Brushing" is used to create areas of shading as in #10. Use a very small amount of paint on the tips of the bristles and brush the color on. You can practice on a scrap piece of paper and reference the sample on the package or color swatch for reference.

Instructions

Starting with #1, paint all areas labeled #1. Move through the rest of the numbers until you've completed your painting.

- Some numbers may require mixing two paints together to create a new color. You will need to mix:
- Yellow & a little green to make **lemon green** (used in #1)



• White & a little green to make **light green** (used in #6)



• Purple & Orange to make **brown** (used in #7 & #8)



 Feel free to add more colorful brush strokes to give the painting your own special touch.

Tip: Using the wet on dry technique, paint some blue outlines on the leaves and flowers to make the painting pop, refer to the sample for ideas.



