

# How To Watercolour Techniques Drawing Inks



## Get Started What You'll Need



**PD382E**  
Drawing Ink 30ml  
Assorted Set

**PA403A**  
Plastic Mixing  
Cups



**PD989A**  
Drawing Gum

**CR175**  
Batik/Silk  
Salt



**BR900A...**  
Student Round Synthetic  
Long Handled Brushes

**CR314**  
Artstraws Kit



**PB022...**  
Heavyweight  
Cartridge Paper 220gsm

# Step by Step

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## 1. Batik Salt



1 Prepare your workspace. These techniques will need a range of drawing inks with a dropper tool, plastic cups, a selection of brushes, batik or silk salt, a water pot, drawing gum, straws, washing up liquid, and cartridge paper.



2 Start by applying a generous layer of water to a sheet of cartridge paper.



3 Whilst the water is still wet, apply a variety of inks using the dropper tool on top. Watch as the inks bleed into each other and fill the page! Use a brush if some of the inks don't spread as much.

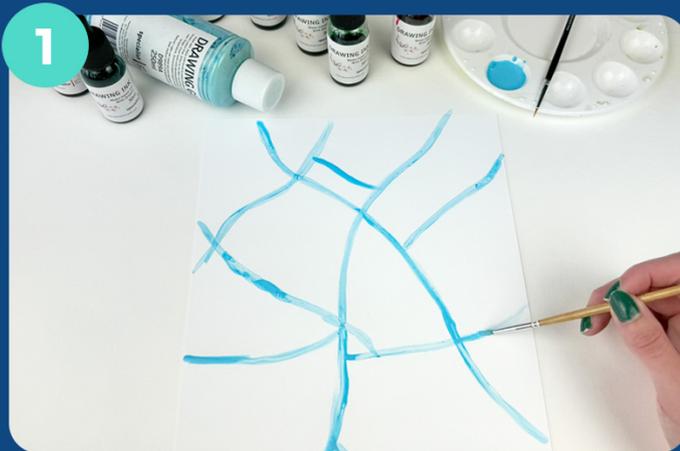


4 On top of the wet ink, take a handful of batik salt and drop it on top of the ink. You will start to see the salt absorbing the water, pulling the ink into a star-like shape with textured edges. Allow to dry; then, the salt can be flaked off to reveal your background design.

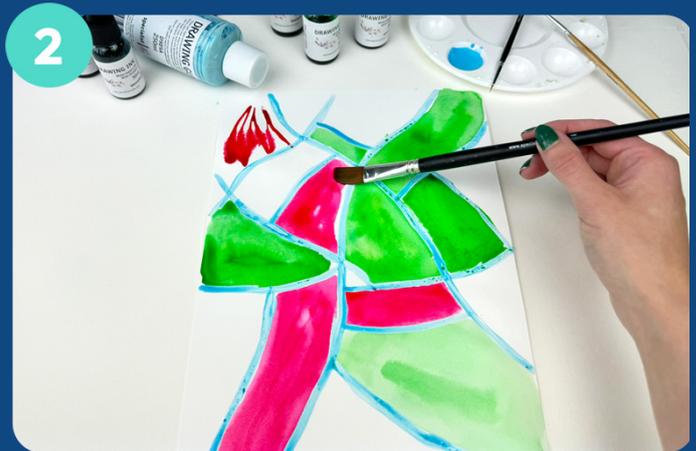
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## 2. Drawing Gum



1 Begin by painting on drawing gum to a sheet of cartridge paper using a brush in your chosen design. This will create masked-off areas to remain free from water-based colour.



2 Allow the drawing gum to dry. Next, wet the paper in between these areas. Using a dropper tool, apply drawing ink to your design and spread it using a brush.



3 Apply the drawing ink using a colourful layout. You can experiment with softer shades by watering down the inks.



4 Once the inks are dry, you can peel off the drawing gum to reveal the masked-off areas below, revealing your final background design.

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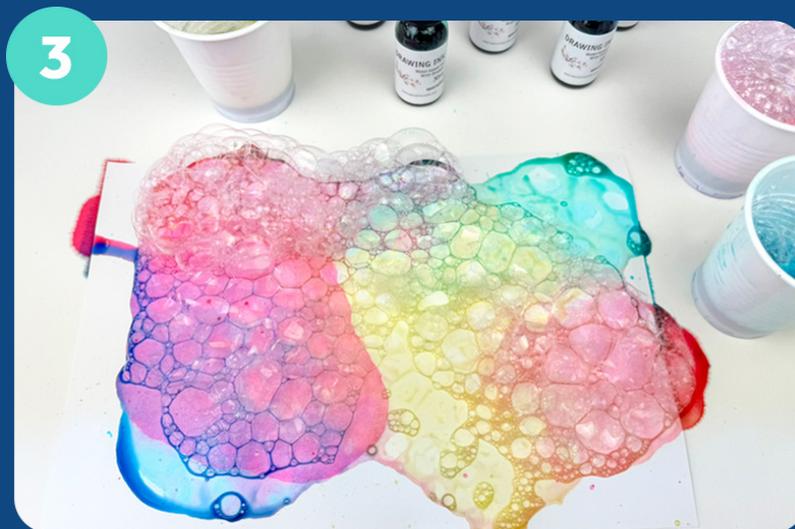
## 1. Bubble Blowing



1 Prepare your workspace; this can get messy! Start by mixing a cup of washing up liquid, water and drawing ink to a ratio of 2 parts soap, three parts water and the desired amount of ink colour. (Ratios can vary). Mix up a range of colours for your design.



2 Once stirred, gently blow into the liquid using a straw to create a crown of bubbles extending the cup's height. Keep blowing until you can tilt the bubbles onto a sheet of cartridge paper.



3 Continue this step using different colours to fill the paper. The inks should blend into each other. Allow the inks to dry flat, and watch your background come to life.