

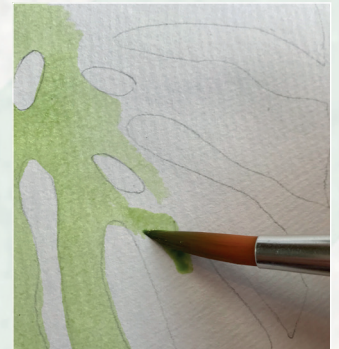
DERWENT ACADEMY WATERCOLOUR PAINT

Create vibrant transparent washes of colour, water soluble and easy to use

1 Wash out new paint brushes in clean water. New brushes have a coating on them to keep the bristles together which needs to be rinsed off before use. Use the largest brush in the set and cover the leaf in clean water. Leave to soak into the paper for a couple of minutes until the shine disappears, this will help achieve an even wash without patches.



2 Mix more paint than you think you will need. Add clean water to the well in the palette and gradually add the paint until you achieve the strength of colour that you want. It is better to build up the strength and start weaker than too strong. Use the biggest brush and add a wash of Sap Green to your leaf. Keep the paint moving to avoid streaks and patches.



3 Once this layer is dry you can repeat with a stronger mix. This time add Viridian onto the tips of the leaf. Use the wash mixture you made first to blend and soften your edges with a medium brush.



4 Add details with the small brush and a thicker mix of Ultramarine and Viridian to paint in the veins and tips of the leaf.

