



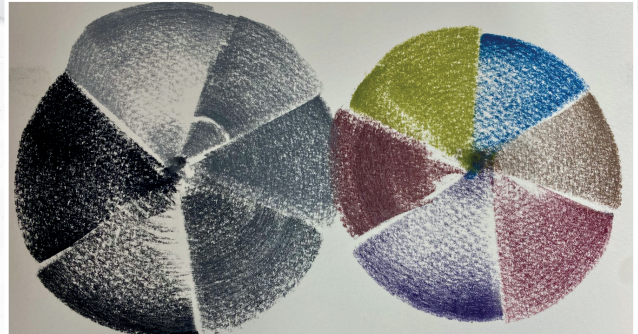
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**TEN TOP TIPS USING
GRAPHITE XL BLOCKS &
GRAPHITINT XL BLOCKS**

TOP TIPS

- 1 Swatch your XL Blocks by laying down sections of colour, to identify the range of tones and shades, and use as a continual reference when working



- 2 Using the Derwent Push Button Waterbrush, lift pigment from the XL Block, and paint onto the surface, building tonal layers, one over another.



- 3 Capture the dramatic tonality of the Graphite XL Blocks, by lightly directing the hardest of the shades across the paper, and then build up the mid and darker tones. Work through the range from hard to very soft and Onyx dark, for a final stunning effect.



- 4 The easy to hold block, allows you to use the sharp edge to produce distinctive marks, whilst the side can be moved broadly across the surface. Layer different tones of colour to create varied effects and shades.



- 5 Blending individual or various shades of the XL Blocks with a paper stump provides several important aspects, including depth of value and tonal control, along with solid or textural effect.



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- 6** With control of the hand directing the side of the XL Blocks across the paper, you can adjust the depth of tone by application of pressure, for broad coverage and expressive mark making.



- 7** Lay down two or more Graphitint XL Block shades onto a paper surface. Use the Derwent Battery Operated Eraser to lift pigment, achieving movement and dramatic effects on the paper.



- 8** Scraping across the surface of the XL Block with a sharp instrument, provides shards of fine particles on the surface, giving texture to your work. Using the Derwent Spritzer, lightly spray, moisturising the paper, so that when the grated pigment drops onto the paper it holds in place.



- 9** Graphitint XL Blocks offer a rich variety of shades and being highly versatile, can be used for broad coverage and expressive mark making. Mark making provides the essence to express feeling and emotion in your artwork and the XL Blocks provide the opportunity to make as many as you can imagine and require.



- 10** Use a Derwent Blender Pen, to intensify the depth of tone, creating smooth and even shades. The highly pigmented formula of the Graphite XL Block provides tremendous coverage in light or dark application, with ease of handling for optimum hand control.

