



Simply Watercolours

Techniques - Colour Wheels

In this part of the course, you will be painting two colour wheels.

The first colour wheel you will be using these three primary colours:

Cadmium Lemon, Quinacradone Magenta and Cerulean Blue.



The Second colour wheel you will be using these three primary colours. Cadmium Yellow, Cadmium Red and Cobalt Blue.

The primary colours are Yellow, Red and Blue.

The yellows, reds and blues I have in my colour wheels are the yellow reds and blues I have in my palette.

As you will discover there are many different types of red, yellow and blue. But for simplicities sake these are the ones we are using for now.

- A **primary** is just one colour, either yellow, red or blue.
- A **secondary** colour is two of the primary colours mixed together.
- A **tertiary** colour is all three primary colours mixed together.

In the colour wheel you will see lemon yellow + cerulean + lemon yellow, when you are mixing a tertiary as above you will find that you have to mix firstly the lemon yellow, then add the blue then add the yellow and you will have a yellowy green.



If you want a bluer green, you will mix the blue, then the yellow then the blue.

These simple colour wheels are just the start of discovering the many colours you can make.

How to paint your colour wheel is covered in the video.



Primary
Blue Pink & Yellow



