

DREAM A LITTLE DREAMY LANDSCAPE

Derwent XL Graphite Blocks

Grade Level: 6-12

MATERIALS:

- Derwent XL Graphite Blocks, Set of 6
- White Coloursoft Pencil
- Blending Stumps, Set of 3 (1/4" Diameter)
- Blue or Grey 9x12 Paper

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

Create a dreamy, painterly landscape using Derwent Inktense blocks to experiment with blending and layering techniques.





PROCEDURE:

Using the Raw Umber XL Graphite block, draw mountains using the final image as a reference. (Pro Tip:Turn the Graphite block on its side to create broader strokes of graphite. Use the corner tip of the block to draw finer lines.)



2 Build layers of graphite from light to dark. Use a blending stick to soften the colour as you go. Finish by highlighting your mountains with the White Coloursoft pencil for the last layer.



3 Use the White Coloursoft pencil to draw clouds framing the mountains. Use the side to gently build up a vibrant white.





Use the Dark Prussian Graphite block to draw a sky in the background above the clouds. Apply the blending stick to soften the sky. If you want a more intense sky, keep layering.



Draw a tree line underneath the mountains using the Black Graphite block. (Pro Tip: Use the blending stick to expand the graphite colour by pushing and pulling the graphite with the tip or side of the blending stick.)

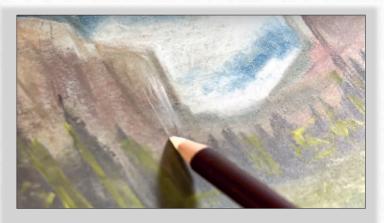


6 Add small touches of Olive Green Graphite block on the trees to create highlights. Use the side of the Graphite block to create a green meadow in the foreground of the drawing – don't forget to soften the colour.





With the White Coloursoft pencil, draw texture and marks on the sides of the mountains. You can also highlight the foreground to create a reflection that evokes water or a stream.





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