

# Chester Springs Studio

## Oil Painting Basics Materials List

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### **Brush Shapes & Sizes for Natural Hog Bristle**

- Round: #1, #2, #4, #6, #8
- Flat# #4 and #6

### **Red Sable or synthetic soft hair brushes**

- Round: #6
- Flat # 6

### **Brushes:**

Get Long handle, natural interlocked white hog bristle brushes like Blick Master Stroke Brushes or similar, and synthetic brushes like Winsor & Newton MONARCH or Princeton Art & Brush Co. Synthetic Mongoose 6600 Series brushes.

**Note:** Sizes are listed according to domestic scale. European sizes may be half the size of a domestic size. In domestic sizes, a #2 Round brush should be approximately 1/8 inch wide. A #4 should be approx. 1/4 inch wide, and a #6 approx. 3/8 inch wide. **Important:** Wash all new and stiffened brushes in brush soap and warm water to break them in prior to first class. **Do not loosen bristles without soap and water.**

### **Canvas:**

- 8 Fine to Medium texture, acrylic or oil pre-primed canvas

### **Palette:**

- 12" x 16" paper palette with thumb hole preferred or wood palette

### **Sizes:**

Ranging from 8" x 10" to 12" x 16"

**Note:** Stretched, canvas panel, or canvas pad

**Note:** Wood palettes need to be finished. Use wood stain like Cherry or Red Oak oil stain, let dry. Finish with 2 coats clear shellac thinned 50% with denatured alcohol.

### **Oil Colors:**

- Yellow Ochre
- Cadmium Red or Cadmium –Free Red
- Ivory Black
- Ultramarine Blue
- Titanium White

### **Recommended brands:**

Winsor & Newton, Grumbacher Pre-Tested, Gamblin, Utrecht, Graham, Rembrandt

\*37ml tubes for colors

\*White - large tube

### **Mediums:**

- Cold Pressed or alkali-refined artist's linseed oil 2 oz.

### **Solvent:**

- 16oz. Odorless mineral spirit

**Note:** Odorless mineral spirit brands:

**Mona Lisa** (least expensive at Michael's Crafts)

**Turpenoid** (blue and white can)

**Gamblin Gamsol**

### **Other items:**

- Palette knife approx. 3" blade
- 8 oz. leak proof brush washing jar or container
- 2 oz. leak proof jar
- Painter's cotton rags approx. 14 x 14" or Viva paper towels
- Master's Brush Cleaner and Preserver (round cake soap 2.5 oz.)

### **Suggested Retailers:**

[www.italianartstore.com](http://www.italianartstore.com)

[www.DickBlick.com](http://www.DickBlick.com)

Michael's Arts and Craft Store

Hobby Lobby

