

Paste Paper Pizazz Turn Piles Into Perfection!

In this class, you look over my shoulder as I show you how to get creative with paste papers.

Additional Tools Used:

- Wood Graining Tool
- Martha Stewart Grain Striping Combs
- Style Stix

Experiment with patterns and your imagination:

- * Spirals
- * Wood graining
- * Ribbons
- * Diamonds
- * Waves
- * Zig zag
- * Gentle curves
- * Mountains
- * Opposing shapes like brackets facing each other
- * Foam Stamps
- * Add lots of layers of paste-paint until you are happy with the finished look. Be sure to let each layer dry before adding the next.
- * Try using found objects such as the end of a plastic tube to create designs in the paint.
- * Draw words in the wet paint.

Experiment with papers:

- ★ Deli wrap

- ★ Tissue paper
- ★ Gift wrap paper
- ★ Newspaper
- ★ Scrap paper
- ★ Colored paper and card stock

Clean Up:

When finished painting and layering, soak all tools in water and clean with an old tooth brush to remove all paste and paint residue.

To Flatten Sheets:

If dried sheets are curled or wrinkled, place face down on ironing surface protected with parchment paper. Lightly spritz back of paper with water and press with a hot dry iron. If you paint both sides of the paper, this step may not be necessary as the papers tend to flatten themselves.

How to Get Creative With Paste Papers:

- ☼ Make an accordion book to showcase sections of your favorite paste papers.
- ☼ Create a book with signatures of paste papers.
- ☼ Create your own notecards.
- ☼ Die cut your paste papers and add them to cards, journal pages, books, scrapbook pages or bookmarks.
- ☼ Use paste papers as ATC (artist trading card) backgrounds or postcards.
- ☼ Cut paste papers into strips and weave them together.
- ☼ Choose a paste paper background and use as the substrate for drawing or doodling.