

7 FUN FACTS ABOUT WATERCOLOR

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Watercolor is a mix of pigment and gum Arabic, a natural “glue” made from the sap of the Acacia tree.

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Artists rarely use white in traditional watercolor painting. Instead, they lighten colors by diluting them with water.

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Watercolor varies in transparency, depending on how much the artist dilutes the pigment.

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Watercolors come in many forms, such as pans, tubes, or liquids.

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Due to differences in formulations, colors can appear different among different brands.

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In the 19th century, honey was added to watercolors to help preserve the paint.

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Although forms of watercolor painting have been around since prehistoric times, watercolor, as we know it today, gained popularity in the 19th century.