

acrylic paint: The right color for crafting

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Welcome to your ultimate guide to exploring the world of **acrylic paints**! Whether you've been passionate about crafting for a long time or are just starting out, acrylic paint is an essential tool. Why? Its versatile possibilities are simply unbeatable! Discover the many advantages of acrylic paint, in this Article , learn how to choose the right colors and understand the often confusing terms on the packaging. Become an unbeatable creative duo with us!



acrylic paint: Your new best friend for crafting and painting

What are the properties of acrylic paints?

acrylic paint acrylic paint is a versatile painting medium that consists of synthetic or real resins. Let's take a closer look at the ingredients to better understand the **benefits of acrylic paint**:

- **Pigments**: The coloring substances that determine the hue and opacity. The more pigments, the brighter the color.
- **Binders**: They hold the pigments together and ensure that the paint adheres to your painting surface. In acrylic paints, they consist of resins.
- **Solvents**: These evaporate as the paint dries and ensure that the paint has the right consistency. Water is often the solvent of choice, which makes handling very user-friendly. 😊

Advantages of acrylic paint

- Can be thinned with water and is waterproof after drying.
- Dries quickly and is odorless.
- Universal area of application from wood to stretched canvas.
- Some paints are also suitable for outdoor areas as they can be weatherproof.
- Priming is often unnecessary.
- Repeated application of the paint is no problem.
- Perfect for mixing with pastes and effect paints.
- Brushes and painting utensils are easy to wash out.

What should you look out for when buying acrylic paints?

When buying acrylic paints, there are many terms that are anything but self-explanatory. Here is an overview:

Technical term	Meaning
Made on a water basis	No Addition of harmful synthetic solvents.
Lightfast	Does not fade with prolonged exposure to light.
Quality	Studio quality has fewer pigments than artist quality.
Saliva resistant	Suitable for children as it is saliva-proof.
Environmentally friendly	Made from environmentally friendly materials.
Weatherproof	Resistant to various weather conditions.
Weather resistant	Long-term ability to withstand the effects of the weather

Two types of **acrylic paints** from VBS, that you should know: [VBS Hobby Color](#) for crafts, ideal for children, and [VBS Outdoor Color](#) for outdoor use.



The [artist-quality acrylic paint](#) is perfect for artistic work.

Achieve creative effects with acrylic paint

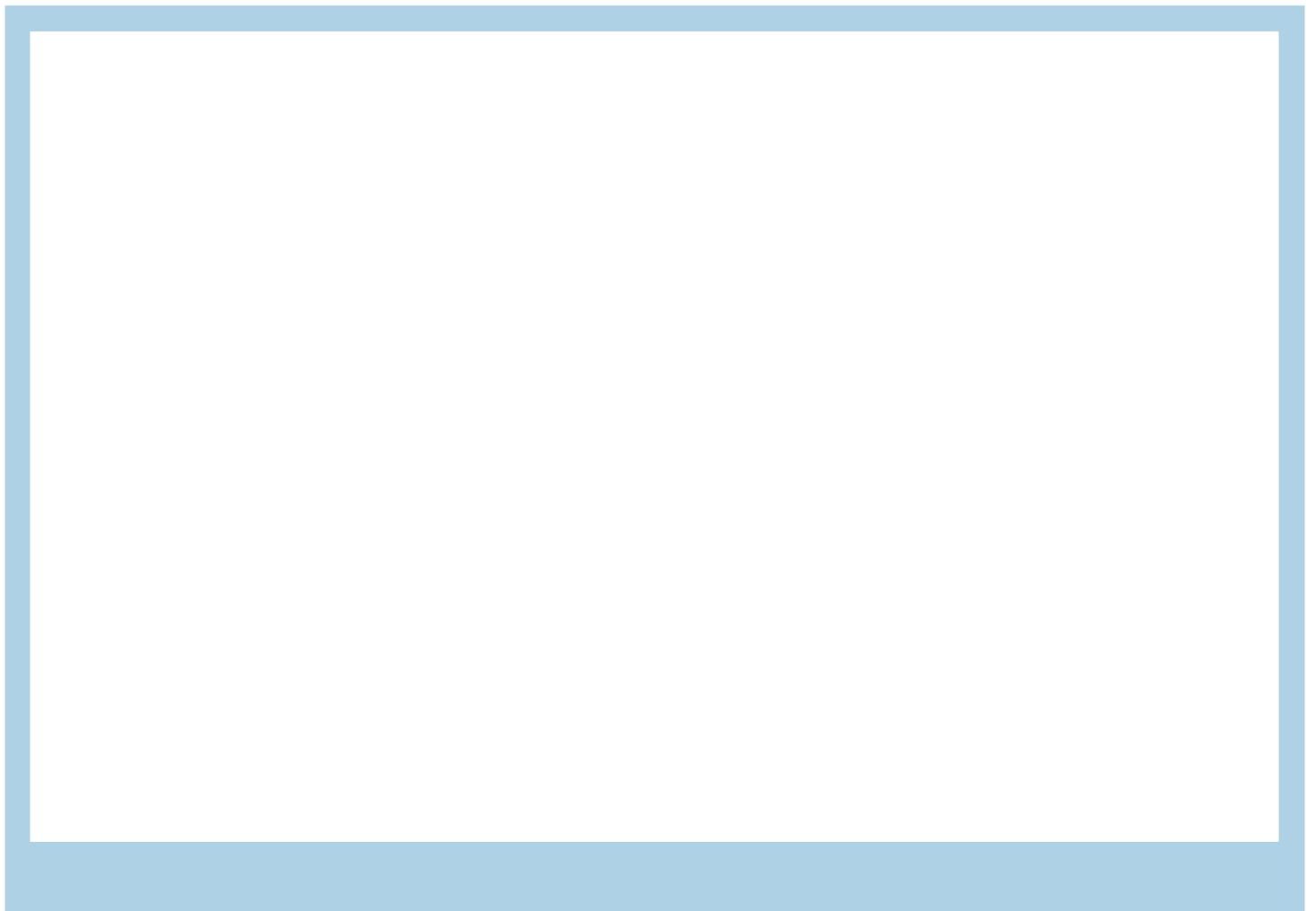
You can achieve impressive effects with **acrylic paints** in combination with pastes and effect masses. Here are a few possibilities:

Medium	Effect
Thickener	Makes paint paste-like for reliefs and layered work.
varnish	Protective layer applied after painting to increase brilliance.
Primer white / Gesso	Improves the adhesion of the colors on the painting ground.
structure pastes	Increases the volume and changes the structure of the paint.
Drying retarder	Extends the Time to dry: for further reworking.

Extra tip:

Acrylic paints are fantastic for hobby designs and easy to handle. For professional artists, they present a challenge: as acrylic paints can absorb light due to their pigmentation, paintings often appear darker. However, adding white or applying layers of white can help.

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