



SHELBY DILLON'S

Brush Guide

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WELCOME

To the Studio!

Here at Shelby Dillon Studio, we firmly believe that art is for everyone. Yup, even you.

No matter the age, stage or level of the person, the only thing that matters is your desire to be an artist.

It's my passion to watch you grow and develop your voice. I can't wait to see you THRIVE.



Acrylic paints are incredibly versatile and have come a long way in the last few years. The variety of ways to use acrylic paint can be confusing all by itself, and that's without even touching brushes!

This guide will help you see some of my favorite brushes to help make shopping just a bit simpler.

Please note this guide contains affiliate links for some of my favorite products.



What Mark Will You Make?

Your brushes are the tools to make your mark.

Finding a brush that is comfortable for you will take a little experimentation, just like finding your favorite pen or pencil.

For acrylics, I recommend using *synthetic bristle brushes* when possible. These will hold up over time and give you the best value.



Brush Types

1. Hake Brush
2. Mural Brush
3. Round Brush
4. Bright Brush
5. Filbert
6. Short Handle
7. Chip/Gesso Brush
8. Small Chip Brush

OUR FAVORITE Brush Resources

Click the name to get the brush at Dick Blick*

01 Hake Brush
Great for gentle washes of color similar to a watercolor technique. Holds a lot of water

02 Mural Brush
Larger brush meant for big surfaces

03 Round Brush
Great for making organic, varied strokes

04 Bright Brush
My personal favorite, very versatile brush with a square tip

05 Filbert Brush
Very similar to a bright brush, but with a rounded tip

06 Short Handle
Best for small scale or very detailed work

07 Chip/Gesso Brush
A workhorse of a brush to cover a large surface quickly. Usually inexpensive

08 Small Chip Brush
A smaller version of the Chip brush, can be used for backgrounds

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STARTER PACK

If you're just getting started, you don't have to get ALL of the brushes. You just need a couple good ones to get you going on your journey. Here are the ones I recommend to get started with acrylics:

1. Chip Brush
2. Size 8 Bright Brush
3. Size 12 Bright Brush
4. Size 8 Round Brush

MASTER

Your Brushes

Want to learn how to use your brushes to make beautiful seascapes? We have a tutorial just for you. Shelby walks you step-by-step through this painting demonstration and the marks you can make with acrylic paints.



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