

Read Art Handbooks: Water in Watercolour [PDF]

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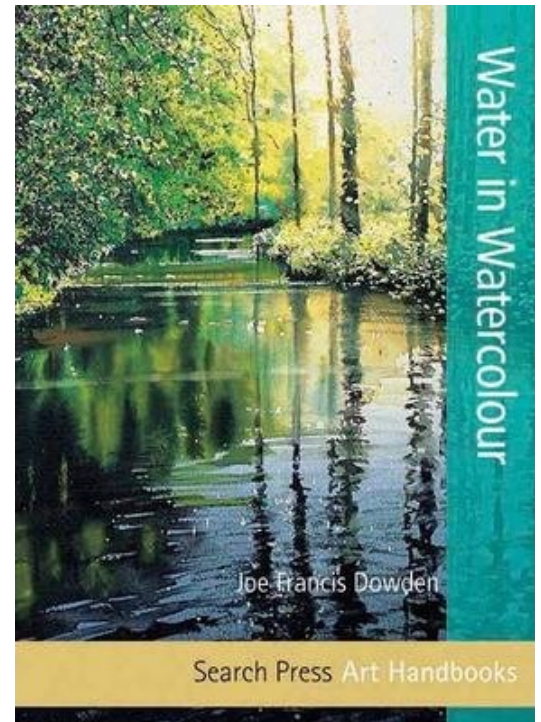
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Description:

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Joe Dowden shows how to capture water in all its moods from quiet ponds and shallow puddles to babbling brooks and slow-moving rivers. Using over 80 step-by-step photographs and a variety of inspirational paintings, he clearly illustrates all the techniques - from laying an initial wash to adding the final details. There is clear information on what materials you need and on composition, using colour and on types of water. There are then clear step by step demonstrations on painting deep water, lively water and shallow water, and there are plenty of beautiful inspirational paintings besides. All watercolour landscape artists need to know how to paint water, and Joe Dowden is an expert teacher, showing how to create the effect of water of all kinds using simple techniques.

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About Joe Dowden

Joe Francis Dowden turned professional in 1982 and has since written many successful books and has been published by David & Charles, Sterling and Search Press. He has sold out at numerous "one man" shows and has exhibited his work throughout Britain. He lives in Worthing, East Sussex.

Review quote

May 13

As one might surmise, the medium of watercolor lends itself well to portraying water, but the rendition of realistic-looking rivers, puddles, and ponds is no easy feat. In this short guide, Dowden generously shares with readers his best tricks and techniques for believably depicting water and wetness. After a short introduction, followed by sections on materials, color, and composition, the book offers the reader the chance to try their hand at painting deep, shallow, or lively water through projects with step-by-step instructions. VERDICT Useful for intermediate and advanced landscape artists, but not those wishing to paint oceans, as this is the one body of water Dowden does not address. * Library Journal, USA * Mar 13

Watercolour is a perfect medium for painting water, as it can create some very realistic effects. This is only a small book but it is crammed full of ideas and step by step demonstrations making it an ideal reference book. A variety of techniques are covered including the use of splattering and laying washes. He looks in detail at three of the most common types of water: a deep slow moving river, a fast moving stream and a shallow stretch of still water. The step by step instructions are clear and easy to follow. Yet, as he points out, there are no hard and fast rules when it comes to painting water. Each artist has to develop their own unique style and should experiment as much as possible to work out what is right for them. This is a very useful book with lots of ideas and inspiration. * Monstersandcritics.com * Feb 13

Find out how to capture water in this Art Handbook series guide. From still ponds to puddles, brooks and rivers. there are over 80 step by step photos to help you gain confidence in capturing water and improving your skills. This is a handy guide showing beautiful work. * Karen Platt

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