

The Colors of Fall

Don't be afraid to use color. This is the time of year we get to use all the pencils!

Autumn Leaves and the fruits and berries of fall and winter are the perfect specimens to experiment on.

Play around with "Creating Browns" (using "all the wrong colors"):

- ❖ Blue + Orange to make a *Burnt Ochre*
- ❖ Orange + Blue + Crimson to make a *Terra Cotta*
- ❖ Dark Red + Dark Green makes *Dark Umber* or *Sepia*
- ❖ Crimson + Green make a *Sienna Brown*

Try creating new colors:

- ❖ Work with complements- Blue and Orange, Red and Green (you see this a lot in the fall)- Purple and Yellow. Try adding purple to greens!
- ❖ Weird reds in leaves usually have some green in them. .
- ❖ Try this triad of Prismacolor **Magenta + Indigo + Canary Yellow** (FC#125 + #157 + 107)
- ❖ Add **Burnt Ocher** or **Burnt Sienna** or another brown to any of your colors. If you do not have the exact color just substitute. You may create a wonderful new color.

Apply your colors carefully and lightly and blend and build together.

Don't press hard to create a dark- find a darker pencil!

*"All colors are the friends of their neighbors and the lovers of their opposites." ...
Marc Chagall*

