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Colour Exploration

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1. Take three small boards, canvases, or sheets of watercolour paper, i.e. 7in x 5in or similar.

Paint each a different colour choosing any hue or tone. Use a colour wheel to find the colours:-

Red, Blue Yellow

Green, Orange, Violet

(I.e. Not next to each other on the colour wheel)

If you want to see a colour wheel just Google "Colour Wheel Chart" where you can also download a PDF to print if you wish

2. Next choose your subject. It could be some spring flowers, a landscape or just something that has caught your eye in Lockdown

3. Then paint over these coloured grounds, letting some of the background colour remain in your images.

4: Stand back, compare and enjoy the differences. Review each painting. How does it make you feel? .. Calm, energetic etc.

If you enjoy experimenting , you might like to look at "Colour - a workshop for artists and designers" by David Hornung, which has many more interesting studies of colour.

