

How to Mix a Leaf Palette

Necessary Supplies

Genesis Heat Set Oils

Value Scale of Gray 02-08

Ultramarine Blue

Genesis Yellow

Raw Sienna

Burnt Umber

Phthalo Blue 01

Quin Crimson

Large Metal Palette for storage or
11 x 17 Wingate Palette

Palette Knife

Paper Towels

Patience

Here are the steps used to create a leaf/green palette consisting of 28-35 mixes:

Step One: Mix a basic palette with a value scale a gray 2-8 or lay out the Genesis Values of Gray 2-8 (Mix on Wingate or disposable palette - not on the final storage palette. Transfer all mixes at the end of the mixing process so as to keep it neat and compact)

Add Genesis Yellow to each gray pile of paint to create "Basic Green".

Step Two: Divide each Basic Green pile into 3 or 4 additional piles. In other words, across your palette you will have 4 (or 5) identical values scales of the scale you just made.

Step Three: In the second value scale of Basic Green, add UB each pile of paint to create "Cool Green"

To create an optional cool scale, add Phthalo Blue 01 to the third value scale of Basic Green.

Step Four: In the third value scale of Basic Green, add Y to each value 5-8 and BU to each value 2-4 to create the "Warm Green"

Step Five: In the fourth value scale of Basic Green, add RS to each value 5-8, BU and QC to each value 2-4 to create "Neutral Green"

Step Six: Place all of these value scales onto a large glass palette with a lid or in aluminum tins with lid. The paint will not dry or change. Whenever you need to paint leaves or green landscapes, just pull out your leaf scale.

Value	Green (Grn)		Green	
	#Basic (Bas)	Warm	Cool	Neutral
9/White (W)	HL + W	W + HL	W + HL	W + HL
8/Highlight (HL)	Gray 08 + Y	Lt + YO + W	Lt + W + YO	Lt + Y + W
7/Light (L)	Gray 07 + Y	Lt + YO + W	Lt + W + YO	Lt + Y + R
6/Low Light (LL)	Gray 06 + Y	M + YO + W	M + W + YO	M + R + Y
5/Medium (M)	*Gray 05 + Y	*Bas Grn + BU	*Bas Grn + UB + BU	*Bas Grn + R + BU
4/High Dark (HD)	Gray 04 + Y	M + BU	M + Vio + BU	M + BU + R
3/Dark (D)	Gray 03 + Y	HD + BU	HD + Vio + BU	HD + BU + R
2/Low Dark (LD)	Gray 02 + Y	LD + BU	D + BU + UB	D + Bu
1/Black (BK)	BK + Y	BK + LD	Violet	LD + BU