Introduction to Watercolours 2024



COLOUR

Why do you want to be able to mix your own colours?

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Colour chart



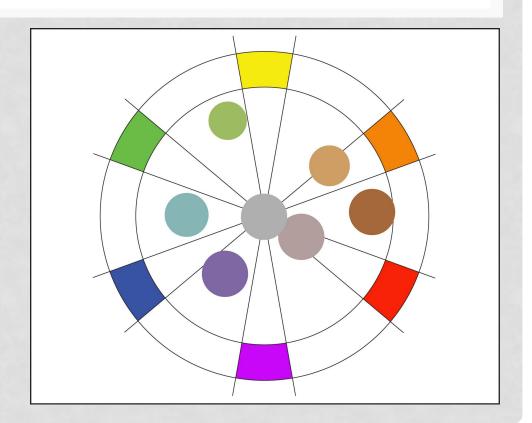
COLOUR - Label

Watercolour paint
Pigment + binder (gum arabic)
Pigment : PB28
Transparency
Lightfastness
Staining property



COLOUR - HSV

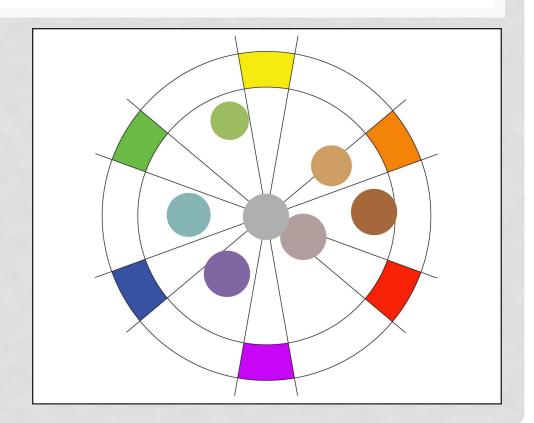
Colours "Three Dimension"



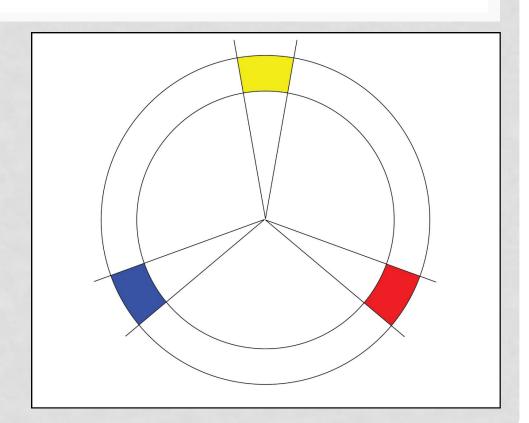
COLOUR - HSV

Colours "Three Dimension"

- Hue
- Saturation
- Value

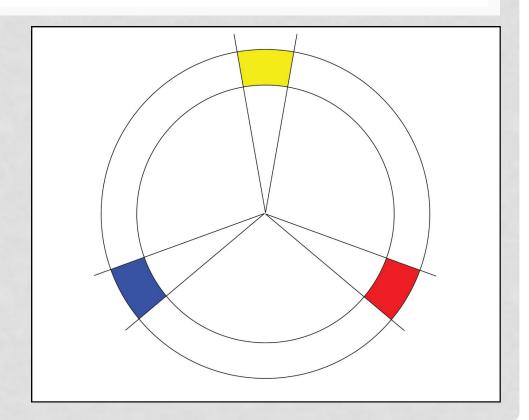


Primary Colours



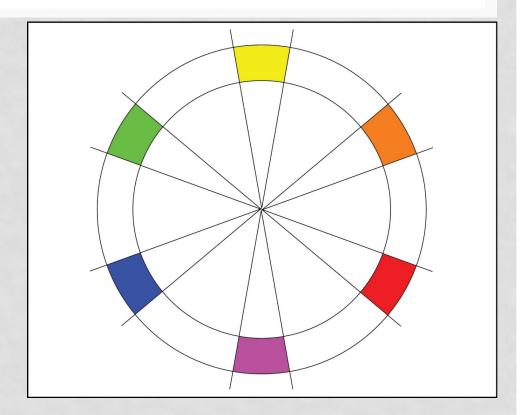
Primary Colours

- Yellow
- Red
- Blue



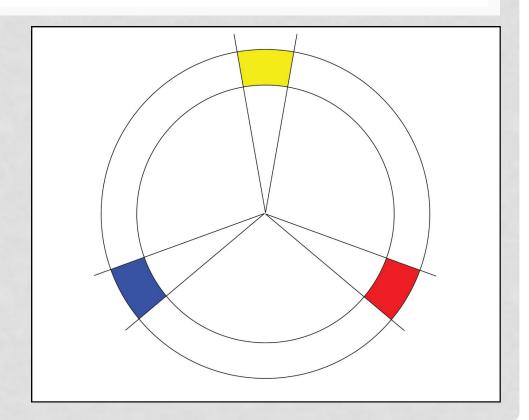
Added Secondary Colours

- Orange
- Purple
- Green



Primary Colours

Are three colours enough?



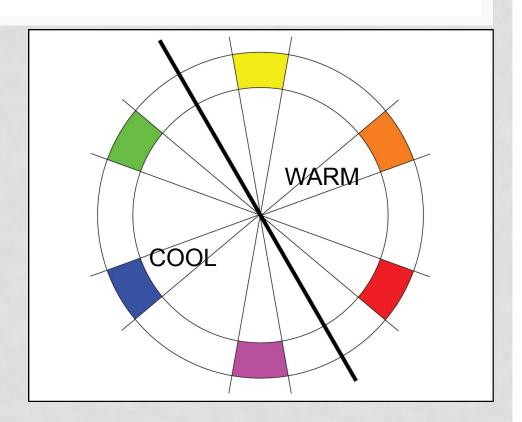
Absolute Temperature:

WARM:

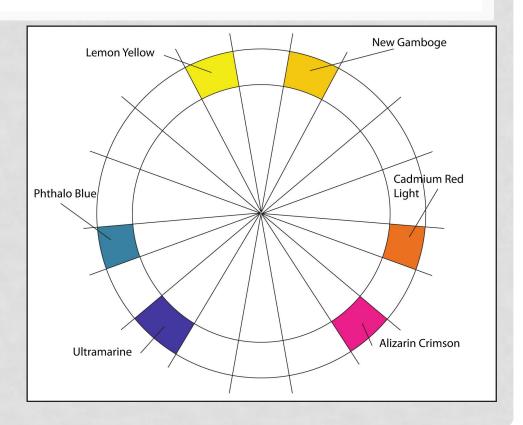
Yellow, Orange, Red

COOL:

Purple, Blue, Green

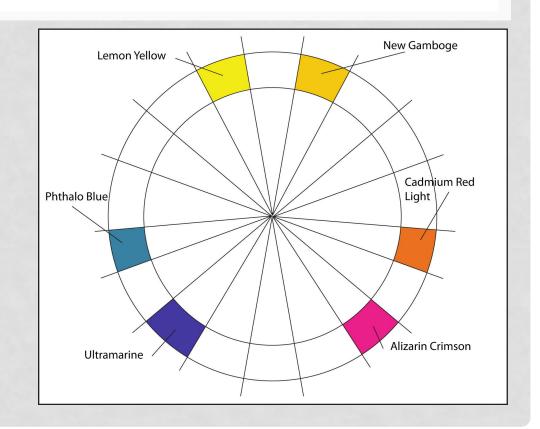


Split Primary Palette
Relative Temperature
Warm / Cold Red
Warm / Cold Yellow etc.

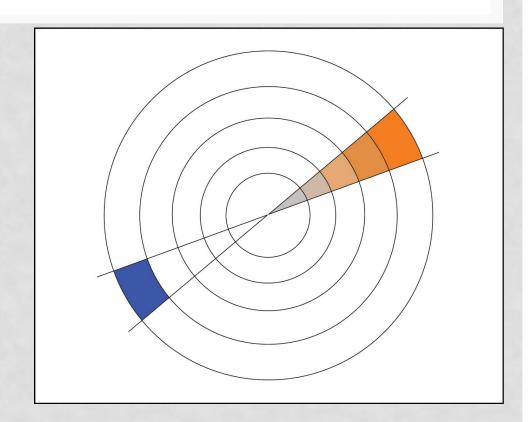


Exercise: Get to know your own colours

- Create a colour wheel with fully saturated colours
- Fill in desaturated "convenience colours" (e.g. burnt sienna)

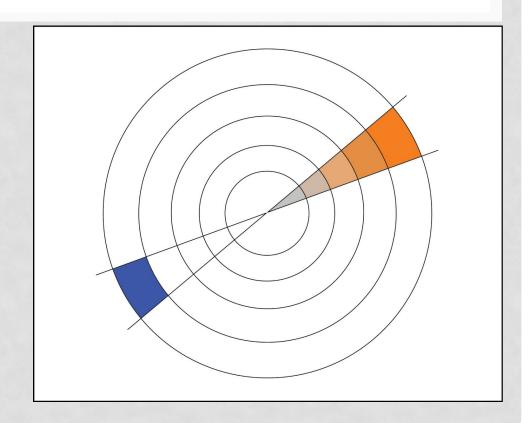


Saturation:



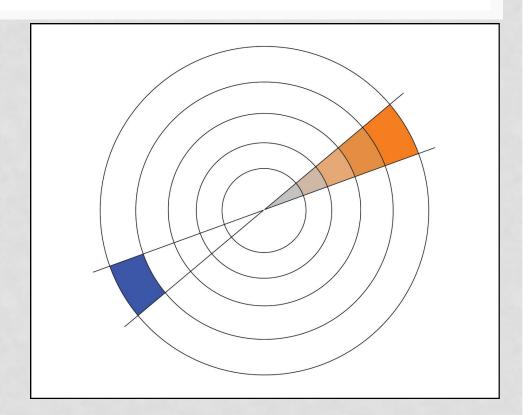
Saturation:

- Same Hue
- Same Value
- Reduced Saturation by mixing with complimentary colour



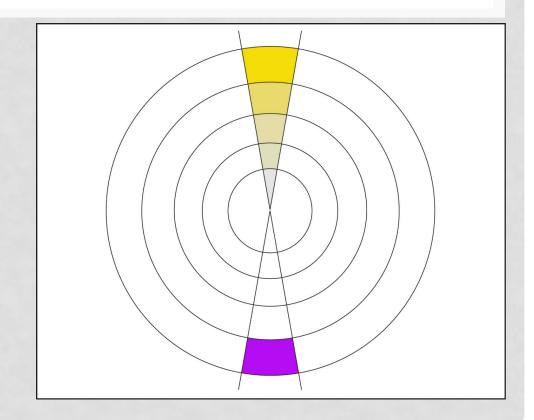
Exercise:

- Desaturate Orange (Burnt Sienna) with Ultramarine Blue and ...
- Vice versa



Exercise:

- Desaturate Yellow with Ultramarine Purple (Mix Ultramarine Blue with Alizarin) and ...
- Vice versa

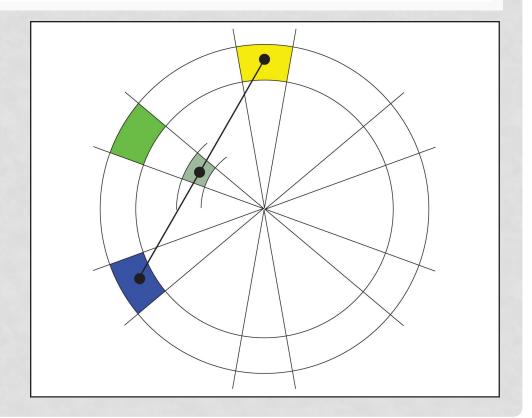


Mix from Primary Colours:

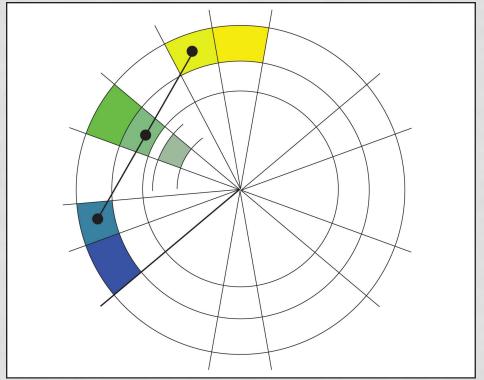
 Mix Green from Primary Blue and Yellow

Result:

Desaturated Green



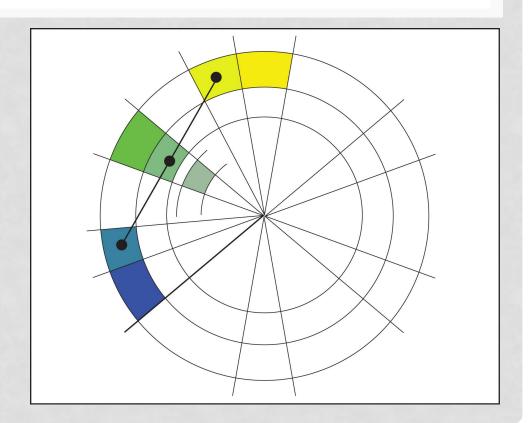
Mix from a colder yellow and a warmer blue results in a more saturated, more vibrant green



Exercise:

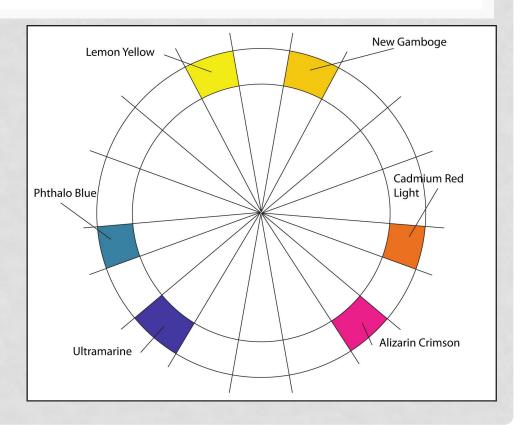
Mixing Blue - Yellow

- Ultramarine New Gamboge
- Phthalo Lemon Yellow



Many artists choose a basic set of 6 colours.
(Split Primary Colours)
Note:

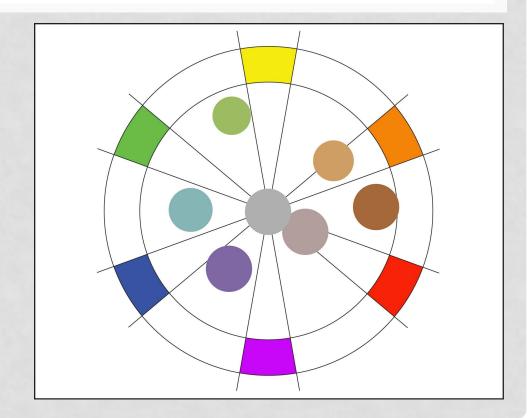
 Every manufacturer has its own definition of colours



COLOUR - HSV

Colour Exercise "Colour matching"

Match the colour of samples



COLOUR TIPS

Limited Colour Palette



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Connect shapes through continuous washes



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Direct Painting Technique

Start with a rough drawing

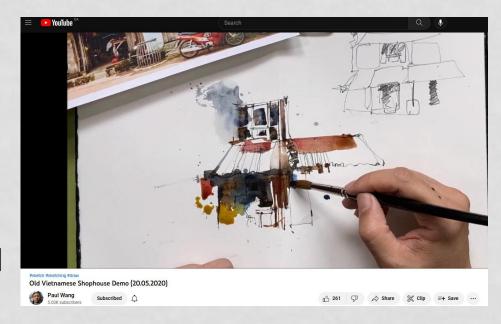


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Direct Painting Technique

- Start with a rough drawing
- Pre-mix colours (Try for a match)
- Fill in colours with correct hue, value and saturation



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