7 *Basic* WATERCOLOR TECHNIQUES

General Tips:
- Use liquid watercolor to get the best results.
- Always create with newspaper underneath so you can transfer to a drying area easily.
- Try layering techniques for endless possibilities.

Wash
- Load your brush with plenty of wet paint. Smooth your brush over the paper with swooping strokes.
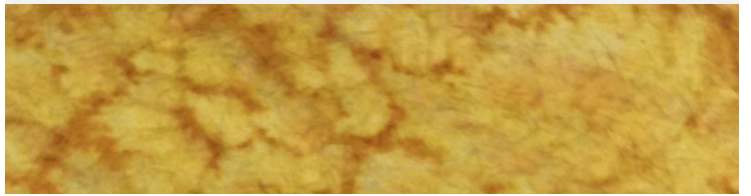
Dry Brush
- Start with a dry brush and almost dry paint.
- Run your brush over your paper to create grass or scratchy lines.

Salt
- Sprinkle salt into a wet (still shiny) wash of watercolor paint.
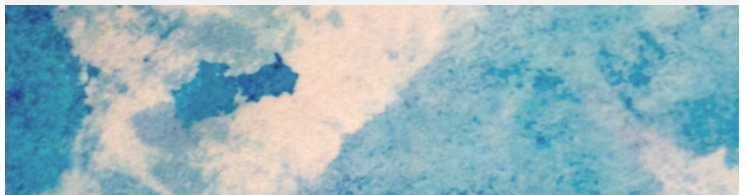- The results will appear when dry.

Crayon Resist
- Draw with any color of crayon on dry paper.
- Paint wet watercolor over crayon to reveal drawing underneath.

Blot
- Use a paper towel to blot up wet paint to reveal white paper underneath.

Wet-in-Wet
- Apply clean water to your paper.
- Before the water dries, load up your brush with paint and touch it to the water. The color will spread quickly.

Tape Masking
- Tape off sections of your paper with masking tape.
- Paint over the tape and let dry.
- Peel tape off and reveal white paper underneath.