



The stencil kit includes

23 stencils, assortment of brushes, eye-kit, release paper (for storing stencils on)

You will also need

- Acrylic paints - used for stenciling
- Pre-painted room - painted with latex paint (semi-gloss or satin recommended)
- Brushes - 10-20 foam brushes of various sizes, 1 fine-tip brush for touch-ups and the eyes, and foam roller(s) for the larger stencils
- Ball-point pen - used for drawing eyes
- Chalk - used for sketching hills
- Paper plates - used to hold acrylic paints
- Paper towels and baby wipes- used for keeping stencils clean
- Scissors - used for separating stencils and cutting away any extra plastic

How to paint the mural

1. Paint background colors. For a scene with sky and hills, you will need two colors of latex paint. Paint the sky and hills and let dry.

*Tip! If you want the hills to come above the furniture, use chalk to mark out where the furniture will be, and then sketch the hills.

*Tip! An easy way to paint hills is with a paint roller.

*Tip! Save background color paint for touch-ups.

2. Stencil the walls. The kit contains three sheets with several stencils on each sheet. The stencils have a self-adhesive backing, so no tape or glue is required. Simply peel, stick, paint, remove and reuse.

a. PEEL: First, peel the stencil from the release paper. The stencils are tear-resistant, but it is best to be careful. If you feel a hang-up, stop and peel from another direction.

b. STICK: Next, place the stencil on the wall and rub it down with your hand, making sure that all inner edges are down to avoid any bleeding.

*Tip! You can use scissors to cut away any extra plastic on the stencils. This will allow you to get closer to the base-boards and/or paint objects closer together at the same time.

c. PAINT: Then, with a foam brush apply a thin coat of acrylic paint with a gentle patting or stabbing motion (or roll it on thinly if using a roller). Apply a second coat as necessary.

*Tip! Practice with something simple like a cloud.

*Tip! To avoid bleeding, make sure not to put too much paint on the brush. 2 or 3 light coats will work much better than one thick one. Also, after you wash your brush make sure it is completely dry before using it again. Squeeze the water out with a hand towel and use a hair dryer to speed things up.

*Tip! You can create depth to a scene by layering. For example, paint a snail in front of a flower and then paint grass in front of the snail.

*Tip! To paint in the eyes of the characters, refer to the eye kit provided.

*Tip! The bee and ladybugs have two layers of stencils: the body and the stripes or spots. Paint the body first and let dry. Then place the stencil containing the spots or stripes on top of the body and paint.

d. REMOVE: Finally, after the paint is semi-dry, remove the stencil from the wall. Paint in any areas left unpainted due to stencil bridges (plastic areas of the stencil that hold two edges together and are necessary to preserve its structure).

*Tip! Store the stencils on the extra sheets of release paper.

e. REUSE: The stencils can be reused efficiently approximately 5-10 times.

*Tip! When reusing a stencil, place it on the wall and press down with a paper towel. This will help keep it clean and prevent excess build-up. You can remove dried paint on the stencil with a baby wipe.

Acrylic paint

Acrylic paints are conveniently available through our website in Paint Kits and at craft and fabric stores. We recommend the Americana and FolkArt brands. Be aware that some hobby acrylic paints are more watery than others. Watery acrylics will cause bleeding under the stencil. We do not recommend Anita’s, Delta Ceramcoat or any metallic hobby paint.

Acrylic paint kit (sold separately at www.MyWonderfulWalls.com)

Below is a list of the colors we have found work well together for this kit. *Please note that the quantity of paint we suggest is an estimate. The amount of paint you actually use will depend on the size of the room and the number of times you paint each design.* Note that these are merely suggestions. Don’t be afraid to channel the inner artist within or, if you prefer, simply mimic what we have already done. There are endless possibilities of how the mural can be painted.

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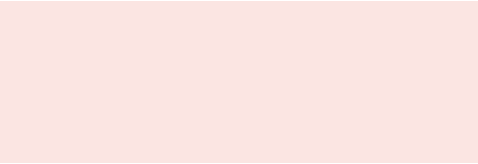
Brand: Americana

Qty.	
8oz. bottles	1 <div>Hauser Light Green</div>
	1 <div>Snow (Titanium) White</div>
2oz. bottles	2 <div>Hauser Medium Green</div>
	2 <div>Spice Pink</div>
	2 <div>Peony Pink</div>
	1 <div>Dark Chocolate</div>
	1 <div>Honey Brown</div>
	1 <div>Indian Turquoise</div>
	1 <div>Turquoise Blue</div>
	2 <div>Purple Cow</div>
	1 <div>Lavender</div>
	1 <div>True Red</div>
	1 <div>Cadmium Yellow</div>
	1 <div>Lamp (Ebony) Black</div>

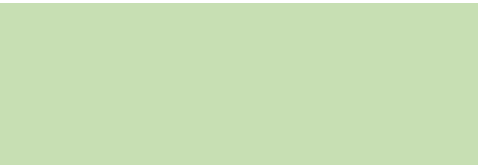
Latex paint (available at home stores)

These are the colors we have used and know look good, but you can find similar colors at any home store (Lowe’s, Home Depot, etc.).

Sky color: Frosted Tulip A32-2, Olympic, semi-gloss or satin, Lowe’s



Hills color: Bleached Spruce B67-3 Olympic, semi-gloss or satin, Lowe’s



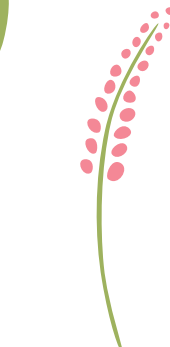


flower 1
13"w x 37"h
(over 3 feet)



flower 2
13"w x 36.5"h
(over 3 feet)

grass
11.5"w x 15"h



flower 3
6"w x 23"h



cloud 1
15"w x 9"h



cloud 2
9.5"w x 6"h



mushrooms
12w" x 14"h



praying mantis
11"w x 10"h



lady caterpillar
10.5"w x 7.5"h



dew drop 3
2"h x 1"w



caterpillar
13"w x 4"h



ladybug 1
6.5"w x 4"h
2-part stencil



ladybug 2
5"w x 4.5"h
2-part stencil



ladybug 3
5"w x 5"h
2-part stencil



ladybug 4
6"w x 4"h
2-part stencil



grasshopper
7.5"w x 8.5"h



butterfly
8"w x 7.5"h



bee
8"w x 5.5"h
2-part stencil



dragonfly
10"w x 7"h



dew drop 1
2"h x 1"w



dew drop 2
2"h x 1"w



snail
9.5"w x 7"h



rhino beetle
8"w x 4.5"h