



**The stencil kit includes**  
34 stencils and 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
  - Chalk - used for sketching hills
  - Paper plates - used to hold acrylic paints
  - Paper towels and baby wipes - used for keeping stencil clean when reusing
  - 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. Separate the stencils.** The kit contains six sheets with several stencils on each sheet. Divide the stencils into individual pieces by cutting the connecting tabs with scissors.  
\* Tip! It’s a good idea to test the layout of your design prior to stenciling. Before peeling the paper backing off, tape the stencils on the wall. Try different variations and see what you like best.  
\*Tip! You can use scissors to cut away any extra plastic on the stencils. This will allow you to get closer to the baseboards and/or paint objects closer together at the same time.

**3. Stencil the walls.** 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 backing of the stencil. 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.

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 grass in front of a fence, and then paint flowers in front of the grass.  
\*Tip! Since the tree is the largest element, start with it and work your way out. The tree comes in four pieces (total 36”w x 81.5”h). Make a mark on the wall where you would like the top of the tree to be. Begin with the top piece. After removing the release paper (Note: It is easier to have another person peel the release paper while you hold the stencil), hold the sheet at the top edge about an inch in from the outer sides, keeping it taught. Make sure not to hold the stencil by the sides, or you’ll end up with frustrating bubbles. Align the top of the tree with your mark and place the stencil on the wall. For the remaining pieces, hold the stencil at the top between the notches. Line up the notches and place the stencil on the wall. Due to the size of the tree you may need to peel and re-stick in several places to get it completely flat.

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.

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**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](http://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.

Acrylic paint		VERSION 1	VERSION 2	VERSION 3
Brand: Americana		tree with white trunk and pink flowers	tree with lavender trunk and pink flowers	tree with brown trunk and turquoise flowers
8oz. bottles	Qty.	Color	Qty.	Color
	2	<div>tree trunk</div> Snow (Titanium) White DAO1	1	<div>tree trunk</div> Dark Chocolate DAO65
	1	<div>tree flowers</div> Bubblegum Pink DA250	1	<div></div> Snow (Titanium) White DAO1
2oz. bottles	1	<div></div> Hauser Light Green DA131	1	<div>tree flowers</div> Bubblegum Pink DA250
			1	<div></div> Hauser Light Green DA131
	1	<div></div> Cadmium Yellow DAO10	1	<div></div> Cadmium Yellow DAO10
	4	<div>tree flowers</div> Carousel Pink DA274	4	<div>tree flowers</div> Carousel Pink DA274
	2	<div></div> Razzle Berry DA276	2	<div></div> Razzle Berry DA276
	1	<div></div> Hauser Light Green DA131	1	<div></div> Hauser Light Green DA131
	4	<div></div> Hauser Medium Green DA132	4	<div></div> Hauser Medium Green DA132
	2	<div></div> Purple Cow DA272	1	<div></div> Purple Cow DA272
	1	<div></div> Dioxazine Purple DA101	1	<div></div> Lavender DAO34
	1	<div></div> Milk Chocolate DA174	1	<div></div> Milk Chocolate DA174
				<div></div> Golden Straw DA168
				1
				<div></div> Hauser Light Green DA131
				4
				<div>tree flowers</div> Indian Turquoise DAO87
				<div>tree flowers</div> Turquoise Blue DA268
				2
				<div></div> Ocean Blue DA270
				1
				<div></div> Ultra Blue Deep DA100
				1
				<div></div> Honey Brown DA163

**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.).  
Brand: Olympic semi-gloss or satin from Lowe’s

	VERSION 1	VERSION 2	VERSION 3
Sky	Politely Purple A42-3	Sonora Rose A41-2	Blue Dusk A58-2
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Hills	Mauve Magic A41-4	Lettuce Alone B68-3	Bleached Spruce B67-3
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Color swatches on this printed page may be different then actual paint colors.



