PASTEL PENCIL COMPARISON CHART

PASTEL PENCILS are great for sketching, detail work, and finished paintings. To make the pigment durable enough to form a lead, the pastel is by necessity harder than pastel sticks. Care is required in sharpening due to the combination of soft pastel lead and wood casing. All pastel pencils are somewhat water-soluble.

The <u>HARDNESS</u> range of Pastel Pencils is quite narrow, but we have tried to rank these by their relative hardness - there is NOT a big difference from the Softest (top) to Hardest (bottom).



CARAN D'ACHE

Origin: Switzerland • Colors: 84 • Size: 5/16" x 7" • 4.7mm Lead • Matching Pastel Line



BRUYNZEEL

Origin: Holland • Colors: 48 • Size: 5/16" x 7" • 3.8mm Lead • Superior Pigments



CARBOTHELLO

Origin: Germany • Colors: 60 • Size: 5/16" x 7" • 4.4 mm • Best Seller



DERWENT

Origin: England • Colors: 72 • Size: 5/16" x 7" • 4mm Lead • Reformulated in 2010



CONTE

Origin: France • Colors: 48 • Size: 3/8" x 7" • 5mm Lead • Traditional Favorite



FABER-CASTELL PITT

Origin: Germany • Colors: 60 • Size: 5/16" x 7" • 4.3mm Lead • Resin Coated Lead for Strength



KOH-I-NOOR GIOCONDA

Origin: Czech Republic • Colors: 48 • Size: 5/16" x 7" • 3.8mm Lead • Good Value

CRETACOLOR FINE ART PASTEL NUMBER

CRETACOLOR

Origin: Austria • Colors: 72 • Size: 5/16" x 7" • 4mm Lead • Matching Pastel Line