

SWS April 2025 Challenge Paintings – Variegated Wash

(Think rainbow or multicolor. Three colors work best.)

Although there are flat, graded (or gradient) and variegated washes, we are only working with the variegated wash in this challenge.

Types of Wash Technique

- Flat Wash: A uniform layer of color, providing a consistent, even tone.
- Graded Wash: Starts with a saturated color and gradually transitions to a lighter tone.
- Variegated Wash: Combines multiple colors, blending them to create a dynamic effect.

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Wash Technique: Explained & Definition - StudySmarter



<https://www.studysmarter.co.uk/painting-techniques>

Examples





Above – Note the Glazing (February challenge), the Hard and Soft Edges (March challenge) and the variegated wash (April challenge). Example from Watercolor Academy.



Found on Etsy
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This painting uses some hard edges and some soft edges – the washes are wet into wet allowing the paint to mix/blend on the paper.