

Spring Planter

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Suitable for any surface in your stash, mix and match this collection of painted elements to create your very own spring planter.

Surface: Metal Planter (13" x 11" x 6") from Kreative Klutter, [\(11\) Kreative Klutter | Facebook](#)

Paints: DecoArt Americana Acrylics

Blue Harbor	Espresso	Purple Cow
Bright Salmon	Foliage Green	True Ochre
Burlap	Grape Juice	Warm Beige
Cactus Pink	Hauser Medium Green	Warm Sunset
Citron Green	Indian Turquoise	Warm White
Country Red	Lamp Black	Wedgewood Blue
Deep Burgundy	Moon Yellow	Whispering Turquoise
Deep Midnight Blue	Primary Yellow	

Project Supplies:

Standard Acrylic Tools
White Graphite
Gray auto primer spray
(Optional – your choice of metal prep medium)
Permanent black pen, (Micron #2 nib)

Brushes:

Flat brushes in good condition in sizes 6-16
Liner, I like a Scharff. 455 #1
3/4" Mop Brush (either a Maxine mop or a Scharff moon mop)

Preparation:

Prep your piece using your favorite method, then basecoat the **main section** Lamp Black
Legs are your favorite color from the list...I chose Blue Harbor.
Top and bottom trim edges are Indian Turquoise.

Angel

Wings – Apply a medium wash with Warm White.
Softly shade around heart outline with Lamp Black.
Line details with Warm White.
Face – Basecoat with Warm Beige.
Shade with Warm Beige + Burnt Sienna.
Nose - Warm Beige + Burnt Sienna.
Cheeks - Country Red plus Bright Salmon; shine mark is Warm White.
Eyes – Lamp Black dip dots.
Hair – Create loose curls with Warm Sunset.

Halo - Indian Turquoise + a tad Whispering Turquoise.

Heart - Cactus Pink, shade with Deep Burgundy and highlight Warm White.





All Bees

Body - Create with a “finger dot” of Primary Yellow. Dry thoroughly before continuing.

Eyes and Wings - Warm White; add pupils with Lamp Black

Stinger, Antenna and Legs - Dark Gray (Mix Lamp Black + Warm White)

Flowers

#1 Purple Cow, center - Grape Juice. Lines - Warm White.

#2 Indian Turquoise. Dots- thin Warm White. Center - Citron Green.

#3 Blue Harbor, middle - Purple Cow; finger dot center - Whispering Turquoise.



All Square Flowers: Warm White, add Lamp Black checks. Add Country Red finger dot center.

All Tulips: Country Red; shade Lamp Black. Wide Stripes are Warm White; add Lamp Black checks. Highlight petal edges with strokes of Bright Salmon. Stamen are Moon Yellow.

All #1 Leaves: Apply one coat Hauser Medium Green, shade Lamp Black, highlight – Foliage Green. All stems, dots and lines - Foliage Green.

All #2 Leaves: Foliage Green. Center vein lines are inked in at the end.

Filler Flowers: Finger dot Warm White, center dot True Ochre. Stamens inked at end.



Flag Side

Flag: Basecoat the entire shape with Burlap. When dry, mark off the blue field.

Red Stripes: Country Red, shade left side Deep Burgundy and highlight with Bright Salmon.

White Stripes: Warm White, shade left side Deep Midnight Blue.

Blue Field: Blue Harbor, shade Deep Midnight Blue and highlight with Whispering Turquoise.

Stars: With liner brush add Warm White stars.

Fringe: True Ochre dots, while still wet, add smaller, Moon Yellow dot.

Flagpole: Espresso; add bow with liner and Warm White.

Flowers

#5: Cactus Pink, small squares are Warm White. Center is Country Red, shade with Deep Burgundy. Add lines and dots with Warm White.

#6: Warm Sunset, center is Citron Green

#7: Moon Yellow, center is Purple Cow and stripes are Warm White.

All #1 Leaves: Apply one coat Hauser Medium Green, shade Lamp Black, highlight – Foliage Green. All stems, dots and lines - Foliage Green.

#2 Leaves: Foliage Green.

All Tulips: Country Red; shade Lamp Black. Wide Stripes are Warm White; add Lamp Black checks. Highlight petal edges with strokes of Bright Salmon. Stamen are Moon Yellow

Grapes: Basecoat Indian Turquoise, Shade - Indian Turquoise with a touch of Wedgewood Blue. highlight Whispering Turquoise plus a tad Warm White. Warm White shine mark.

Flower Side Panel

#4 Flower: Whispering Turquoise, lines - Warm White; Center - Citron Green.

Square Flower: Warm White, add Lamp Black checks. Add Country Red finger dot center.

#1 Flower: Purple Cow; center is Grape Juice and lines are Warm White.



Bee

Body - Create with a "finger dot" of Primary Yellow. Dry thoroughly before continuing.

Eyes and Wings - Warm White; add pupils with Lamp Black

Stinger, Antenna and Legs - Dark Gray (Mix Lamp Black + Warm White)



Watermelons Side Panel

Watermelon: Slip slap Bright Salmon. Dry and apply a second slip slap application. While wet, add some Country Red to the pointed end and work it down about 2/3rds of the shape.

Side load Foliage Green and pull OVER/across the bottom part of watermelon.

Rind: Hauser Medium Green.

Seeds: Lamp Black. Add Warm White shine line. With thinned Deep Burgundy, shade around seeds.

Add Espresso flagpole

All #1 Leaves: Apply one coat Hauser Medium Green, shade Lamp Black, highlight – Foliage Green. All stems, dots and lines - Foliage Green.

All #2 Leaves: Foliage Green.

Container Legs: Add stems and legs with Lamp Black. Dots are Warm White

Final Details: Add pen work to as much as you like. Use picture and pattern as a guide. Fill with your favorite plants and enjoy!!!

