



# Craft Knife Hints & Tips

The Derwent Craft Knife can be used for many different applications.

It is the perfect accessory for pencil sharpening and cutting paper. To cut paper, simply press lightly and slide the blade along a straight edge.

The craft knife has a unique 'soft' feel handle, making it extremely comfortable to hold.

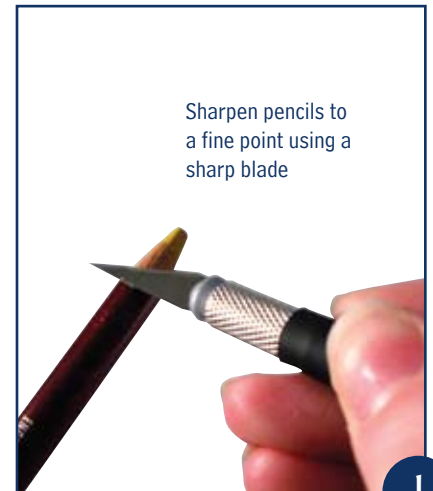
To sharpen a pencil hold the knife at a shallow angle (almost parallel to the pencil) and take off small amounts of wood from each side of the pencil. If the angle is steep the tendency will be to take off too much wood in one go and possibly to cut the colour strip at the same time. Once the colour strip is exposed, then very gentle scraping movements will create a nice sharp point. This is particularly useful for Pastel pencils (1).

To add textural interest to your work, use the craft knife to scrape the colour strip of the pencil over a pre-wetted area and let the pigment fall onto the wet surface. Several colours can be added for effect (2).

It is also possible to use the blade to score lines into the paper before applying colour. This is ideal for veins on leaves or whiskers on animals (3).

## Notes:

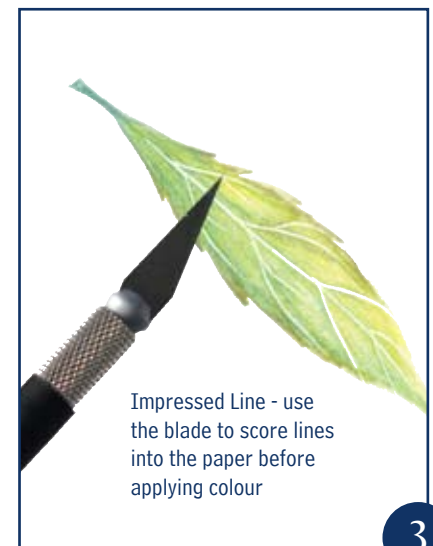
Change the craft knife blades regularly as blunt blades will tear paper and damage pencils.



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2301932  
Craft Knife  
+ 6 blades



Display Box



2301936  
Replacement Blades  
(5 blades per box)