

# Inktense for

# quilting

Derwent Inktense pencils are extremely versatile and can be used for a wide range of craft projects from card making to silk painting; decoupage to quilting.

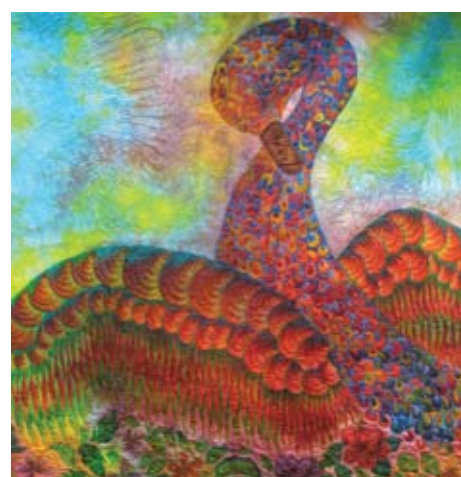
Quilting has been around for centuries. In that time it has moved from being used for items of clothing, to bed coverings and more recently artwork. Increased prosperity led to a decline in quilting but the last 30 years has seen a resurgence in its popularity driven by the rise of quilt art.

Derwent Inktense pencils are perfect for adding colour to fabric and enhancing a quilted design. Available in 71 stunning, jewel-like colours and an outliner pencil.

It is important to apply a textile medium to the fabric first to allow the colour to flow freely from the pencil. Once the colouring process is complete the quilt must be left to dry for 24 hours before the piece is set using an iron.

Derwent commissioned Kim Bradley, from Australia to create a quilt using Inktense pencils. The quilted wall hanging is called 'Itch you Can't Scratch' and is inspired by the Black Swans of Rotorua in New Zealand.

Commenting on using Derwent Inktense for quilting Kim said 'These pencils allow me all the freedom of working lots of colour



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and shade into an area with the ease and control of a pencil. I find my students love the fact that small details can be accomplished without any difficulty at all. Incredible depth and realism can be added to appliqué that might be difficult with just fabric alone, or the fact you can not always find the 'right' fabric, now I just add some colour and push the appliqué to another level. In shading and highlighting my freehand quilting designs, once again the quilt goes from being really great to absolutely stunning. I absolutely adore these pencils; they are the cornerstone of my work'

Derwent have exhibited the quilt at a number of shows and exhibitions during 2009 and it now has pride of place in their new head office in Cumbria. Speaking about the quilt Leah Lister, Marketing Manager said 'the reaction to the quilt has been fantastic; people cannot believe it has been coloured using pencils'.

Derwent Inktense pencils are available from all good art stores. For more information on using Derwent Inktense for quilting visit the Hints & Tips How To section at [www.pencils.co.uk](http://www.pencils.co.uk) or by calling: 01900 609599.



Adding Inktense direct to fabric

