A FREE 2027 WATERCOLOUR CALENDAR PAGE

Paint Your January

Snowdrops, winter aconites and ivy to paint, with a real January 2027 calendar underneath



Print at 100% on A4 watercolour paper, then paint along.

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JANUARY

2027

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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HOW TO PAINT IT

White flowers, golden cups

1. Snowdrops are mostly paper

Leave the petals white. Touch a very pale blue-grey into the shadow side of each one, and a tiny dot of green at the tip of the inner petals.

2. Winter aconites

A clear lemon yellow for each little cup, with a touch of deeper golden yellow at the base while it's wet. Leave a sliver of white for the shine.

3. Leaves and stems

Soft blue-green for the snowdrop leaves, a brighter green for the aconite ruffs. One stroke each, then leave them alone.

4. The ivy trail

A darker green for the ivy leaves, dropping a little blue or brown into a few while they're damp so they don't all match.

5. Then the calendar

When the paint is bone dry, write birthdays and plans in the boxes with a fine pen or pencil.

Which colours?

A lemon yellow, a golden yellow, a blue-green, a darker green and a soft blue-grey from your own box will do the job. You don't need the same brand.

Printing

Print at 100% (turn off “fit to page”) on A4. Watercolour paper if your printer will take it, fed one sheet at a time. The calendar starts on a Monday.

Printing your pages

A quick guide to the questions people ask me most. Keep it by your printer!

1 No printer?

No problem. Put the files on a USB stick or email them to yourself, then print at a library or a print shop (for example Ryman in the UK or Staples in the US). Ask for "actual size" on matte paper.

2 What size are the pages?

My pages are A4. If your paper is a different size, choose "Fit to page" (or "Scale to fit") in the print box, so nothing gets cut off.

3 Too big or cut off?

Check the paper size in the print box matches the paper in your tray. Then choose "Fit to page" and turn off "borderless" printing.

4 Which paper?

Journal pages: matte paper, 120–160gsm. Covers and envelopes: thin card, if your printer takes it. Glossy paper is not good for glue or paint.

5 Watercolour templates

Only feed watercolour paper through a printer with a rear or manual feed (check its heaviest paper). Or print on ordinary paper and trace the lines onto watercolour paper at a sunny window or on a lightbox.

6 Print one test page first

Check the size and the colours on one page before you print the whole set. It saves paper, ink and tears.

7 Saving ink

Use "draft" or "economy" mode for background papers you'll write over, and print only the pages you need by typing a page range in the print box.

8 Booklet or two-up pages

If your kit has a booklet version, print it double-sided with "flip on short edge", then fold the sheets in half and nest them together.

9 No need to print at all

You can open the PDF or the image files on an iPad in an app like Goodnotes or Procreate, and journal or paint straight onto the pages.

Still stuck? Email me at info@artsydee.com with a photo of what's happening, and I'll help.

Happy making, Dee x · *artsydee.com*

IF YOU ENJOYED PAINTING JANUARY

The full set: Paint Your 2027



Paint Your 2027 is a whole year of British garden and hedgerow plants to paint, one month at a time: twelve calendar pages like this one, a year-at-a-glance page, and twelve full-page month templates to practise on first (shown above).

Every month comes with a painted reference and a Colour Inspiration Card, and the calendar comes in Monday-start and Sunday-start versions.

The full Paint Your 2027 set arrives on Monday 28 December.

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