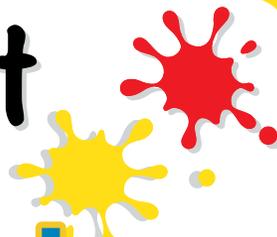




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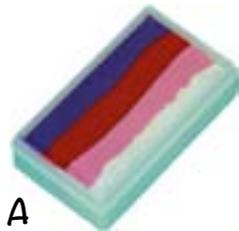


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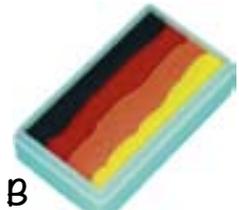
One Strokes

by Gretchen Fleener

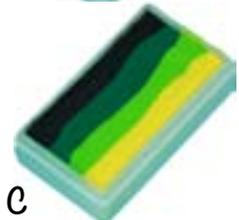


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It's a question I get a lot: "I'm starting to build up my assortment of one strokes but don't know where to start. Which ones do you recommend as being your must have's?" This month I'll attempt to answer this question...purely based on my own opinions of course, so feel free to mix it up as you like!

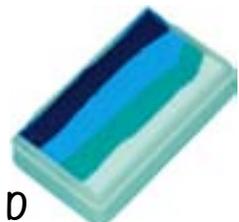


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If I could only pick one, it would be a rainbow. Global Leanne's rainbow, Cameleon Rainbow Wow (H), or TAG's Rainbow Four are all good ones. Everyone loves rainbows, and having a split cake really speeds up painting them!



D

After that my next would be a pink/purple/teal combo like TAG unicorn (I) or Global Bavaria. These are super popular combinations for girls, and work for princess crowns, butterflies, swirly eye designs, unicorn hair, flower petals, etc!

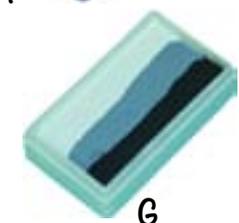


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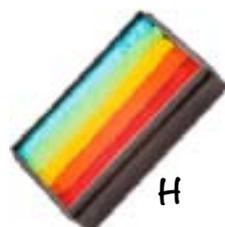
If you have those two, I feel a monochromatic green is the next most essential. TAG snake is my favorite (C), but Global Borneo is also similar. This is great for leaves, but also boy stuff like snakes, dragons, etc. I prefer Snake to TAG's leaf combinations because it includes black, which acts as a built-in outline when needed.



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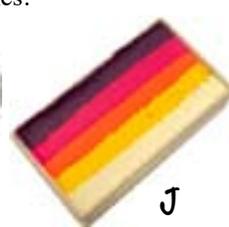
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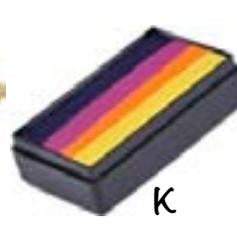
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allows, I would recommend focusing on building up an assortment of monochromatic combinations. These will enable you to paint basically any color object but with some highlights and shadows built in with the split cake. A monochromatic red like TAG rose or berry (A) for roses, hearts, and other red stuff is great. Tag Dragon (B) is also great for reds/oranges and flames! Monochromatic blues like TAG ocean (D), or Global's Calgary or Santorini are great for Frozen crowns, dolphins, waves and other blue things. A monochromatic brown, like TAG teddy bear (F), is a must have for dogs, bears, etc. Next I'd recommend a monochromatic gray/black/white combo for skulls, polar bears, etc, like TAG Magpie (G). And finally, a monochromatic purple like TAG black iris (E) is great for flowers and other purple things.

After building up a rainbow collection of monochromatic colors (or in between just to break it up and add some extra fun), **some of my other favorite combinations** are TAG superior sunset (J), Global Hobart (K), and our brand new exclusive TAG "Ocean Sunset" cake (L) which enables you to create a sunset and ocean in one stroke for your beach scenes.

Those are my top picks for one stroke cakes. If you're thinking about the larger rainbow cakes, dubbed "base blenders" by TAG, my current favorite is FAB glitter rainbow, and I'd also recommend TAG's Tiger base blender for tigers. FAB's mermaid pixie is right up there for me as well. But to me, these depend on how you paint...if you're more of a sponge person you may have more base blenders. If you prefer to work mainly with brushes, you may not have as many of these. Our new Ocean Sunset combination is available in both one stroke and base blender sizes, and is a great bright, bold combination for sunsets, butterflies, rainbow tigers, etc!

I hope this is helpful as you work on building your collection. It works best to look at what designs you already paint first...figure out what cakes might match up and help add some extra speed or wow factor to your current designs. As you get to know split cakes, you'll find yourself naturally picking out the next cake or even creating designs just for your favorite combinations! Have fun and make your kit your own!



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