

Make Your Own Palette

Simplify your choices and make life easier for yourself!

Limit yourself to 30 colors (and black and white). Choose at least five 8.5" x 11" sheets of cardstock per color and put these in a box or bin that is close to hand. Use only this cardstock for the next month. (No matter what patterned paper you choose, you'll find at least 1 or 2 matches from your palette, and don't forget that you can always alter a color with inks, etc.)

Once you've acclimated to being "limited" to these 30 colors, you'll discover that this is anything but limiting – you'll take flight!

3 Reds:

- Pure red
- Faded red
- Maroon

3 Pinks:

- Pure pink
- Light pink
- Magenta

3 Oranges:

- Pure orange
- Orange red
- Orange yellow

3 Three Yellows:

- Pure yellow
- Light yellow (like butter)
- Dark yellow

4 Greens:

- Pure green
- Light green
- Olive
- Dark green

3 Blue-Greens:

- Aqua
- Blue-green
- Teal

3 Blues:

- Pure blue
- Light blue
- Navy

3 Purples:

- Pure purple
- Lavender
- Deep purple

7 Neutrals:

- White
- Black
- Cream
- Tan
- Dark brown
- Light grey
- Dark grey