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**Painter™ Essentials 3**

Reviewer's Guide

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# 1



## Introducing Corel® Painter™ Essentials 3

Corel® Painter™ Essentials 3 is a complete home art studio built on the award-winning power of Corel® Painter™ IX. It includes everything a new user needs to get started with digital art and create stunning paintings from photos.

A key element of Corel's digital-imaging product lineup, Corel Painter Essentials 3 offers the new Photo Painting Palettes, which make transforming photos into paintings as simple as 1-2-3, and art tools that faithfully replicate real-world paints, brushes, and papers. Home users on both Mac OS® and Windows® platforms now have everything they need to turn their mouse or tablet into a paintbrush for creating digital works of art and lasting family mementos. Easy to learn, Corel Painter Essentials 3 is complete with training videos, tutorials, and a helpful contextual workspace guide, making it simple to get started on a digital art project.

Corel Painter Essentials 3 is an ideal complement to Corel® Paint Shop Pro® X and Corel® Photo Album™ 6. Customers using the Windows platform can optimize their photo with Paint Shop Pro X, create a personalized handmade painting with Corel Painter Essentials 3, and then use Corel Photo Album 6 to easily use their final painted images in creative projects, such as calendars and greeting cards, that are perfect for sharing! From photo editing and digital painting to organizing image collections and creating keepsakes and crafts, Corel's digital-imaging product family delivers a new world of possibilities and helps ensure that users get the most out of their digital camera.

Corel Painter Essentials 3 is also highly compatible with other popular software and hardware, enabling users to seamlessly exchange files with Adobe® Photoshop® CS and Adobe® Photoshop® Elements. In addition, Mac OS users can now set their Apple® iPhoto™ preferences to use Corel Painter Essentials for image editing. This lets users double-click any iPhoto image to open it for editing with Corel Painter Essentials.

Providing more creative options than ever before, Corel Painter Essentials 3 lets home users create beautiful, handmade digital-art keepsakes that are perfect for framing, using in crafts projects like scrapbooks, and giving as special gifts to friends and family.

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## Corel® Painter™ Essentials 3 Customer Profiles

### Digital Camera Hobbyists

Digital camera hobbyists use their cameras to capture special moments and to explore their artistic expression. They may also be looking to add flair to family portraits, greeting cards, or a family tree.

### Art, Decor, and Scrapbook Enthusiasts

Art, decor, and scrapbook enthusiasts may enjoy hands-on projects, such as sketching and painting. Whether they start their art from scratch or work with photos, users can create stunning images that are perfect for hanging on the wall or adding their own personal artistic touch to crafts and other projects.

### Art Students and Teachers

Art students and teachers at school or at home are looking for ways to explore the visual arts without the cost and mess associated with traditional art supplies. Corel Painter Essentials 3 provides an ideal learning environment in which the techniques of classical art training apply, while letting users take advantage of all the benefits their computer has to offer.

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## What's Included with Corel® Painter™ Essentials 3?

### Main Application

- Corel Painter Essentials 3, Mac® and Windows versions

### Content

- Libraries of unique gradients, nozzles, patterns, stock photos, paper textures, and brushes

### Printed Documentation

- *The Corel Painter Essentials 3 Getting Started Guide*

### Electronic Documentation

- Help files (HTML)
- User Guide (PDF)
- 10 Quick Start tutorials (accessible from the Welcome screen)
- Quick Guide palette

### Training

- lynda.com training videos included on CD

## Minimum System Requirements

### Macintosh®:

- Mac OS® X (version 10.2.8 or higher)
- Power Macintosh® G3, 500 MHz or greater
- 256 MB of RAM
- Mouse or tablet
- 24-bit color display
- 1,024 × 768 or greater monitor resolution

### Windows®:

- Windows 2000 or Windows XP (with latest service packs)
- Pentium® II, 500 MHz or greater
- 256 MB of RAM
- Mouse or tablet
- 24-bit color display
- 1,024 × 768 or greater monitor resolution

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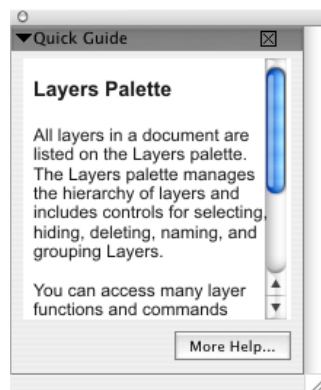
## Top New Features

Corel® Painter™ Essentials 3 includes a range of new tools and features that help users get started on their next digital art project. The new Photo Painting Palettes easily transform photos into stunning paintings, and the new Artists' Oils brushes take Painter's legendary Natural-Media® features into a new dimension of realism. In addition, to ensure that digital camera enthusiasts get the most out of their photos, Corel Painter Essentials 3 supports Corel Paint Shop Pro X, Corel Photo Album 6, Adobe Photoshop CS, Adobe Photoshop Elements, and Apple iPhoto.

## Learn to Draw and Paint Digitally

It is now easier than ever for users to start creating breathtaking digital works of art. The application includes a convenient new Quick Guide palette, free lynda.com training videos, a printed guide to getting started, and 10 Quick Start tutorials that launch from the new Welcome screen.

**New! Quick Guide palette:** Providing context-sensitive information about the options available from workspace items, the Quick Guide palette makes it easy for users to get started. When users click on a palette, the toolbox, the Brush Selector bar, or the property bar, the Quick Guide displays relevant information about the options available, as well as a link to the more comprehensive Help.



*The new Quick Guide palette makes it easy for new users to become familiar with Corel Painter Essentials 3 workspace items.*



**New! Training videos by lynda.com:** Corel Painter Essentials 3 includes 10 new training videos created by lynda.com, one of the world's most renowned graphics training companies, to guide users through the Corel Painter Essentials workspace, tools, features, and techniques. In addition, users can sign up to download 10 more free training videos.

**New! Welcome screen:** Getting started with digital art has never been more straightforward, thanks to the new Corel Painter Essentials 3 Welcome screen. The Welcome screen gives users quick access to recently used files, tutorials, and settings. It also showcases original artwork from renowned Corel Painter Masters to inspire users to explore the application and create their own works of art.



*The new Welcome screen makes it easy to get started.*

**New! Quick Start tutorials:** These short, instructive tutorials guide users through basic tasks, such as transforming a photo into a painting, in a few easy steps.

## Turn Photos into Paintings

With Corel Painter Essentials 3, it's never been easier for users to turn digital photos into stunning paintings.

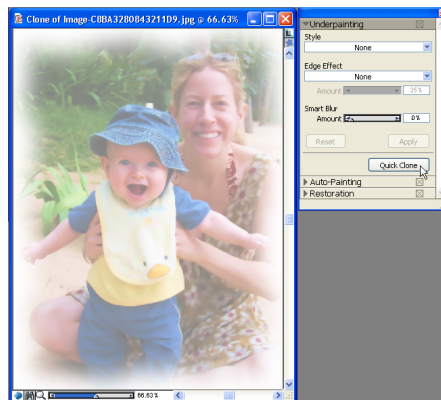
**New! Photo Painting Palettes:** Right out of the box, the new Photo Painting Palettes let users create beautiful paintings from digital photos. The three Photo Painting Palettes are the Underpainting palette, the Auto-Painting palette, and the Restoration palette.

With the Underpainting palette, users can prepare a photo for painting and add beautiful effects and borders, such as a vignette. The Auto-Painting palette lets users transform a photo into a painting by automatically applying random paint strokes that vary in stroke type, direction, and pressure. The Restoration palette allows users to touch up their painting manually with one

of two special brushes that “restore” areas of the image — such as facial features — to their original pristine detail.

To watch the capabilities of the Photo Painting Palettes in action, follow the *Give it a try* instructions for using the Underpainting, Auto-Painting, and Restoration palettes.

**New! Underpainting palette:** The new Underpainting palette gives users access to several options for preparing an image for cloning. Users can adjust the contrast, lightness, or saturation of an image. In addition, users can add a decorative edge effect to an image, such as a rectangular, circular, or jagged vignette.



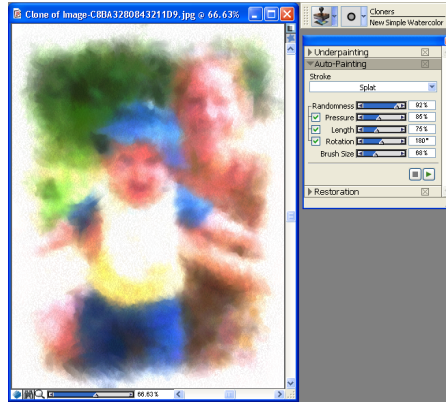
*The new Underpainting palette lets users prepare a photo for cloning.*

## Give it a try

### Using the Underpainting palette

- 1 Choose **File** menu ► **Open**, choose an image from the dialog box, and click **Open**.
- 2 On the **Underpainting** palette, choose an option from **Style** pop-up menu.  
The effect of the style is previewed in the image but is not set until you click **Apply** (see step 5).
- 3 If you want to add a decorative border to your cloned image, choose an option from the **Edge Effect** pop-up menu, and adjust the **Amount** slider.  
The edge effect is previewed in the image but is not set until you click **Apply** (see step 5).
- 4 In the **Smart Blur** area, adjust the **Amount** slider.  
High-contrast areas maintain more detail than low-contrast areas.
- 5 Click **Apply** to set the options that you’ve chosen.
- 6 Before proceeding to the instructions for the Auto-Painting palette, click **Quick Clone**.  
A clone of the original image is created.



**New! Auto-Painting palette:** Even if a user has never before experimented with digital art, the new Auto-Painting palette makes it easy to create painted portraits from digital photos. Simply choose a brush stroke, and adjust the preset options to determine how the brush strokes interact with the canvas. Then, with the click of a button, watch Corel Painter Essentials 3 automatically paint a portrait based on the original image.



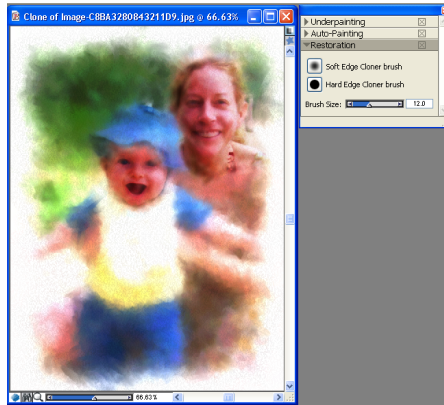
*The new Auto-Painting palette lets users turn photos into stunning paintings.*

## Give it a try

### Using the Auto-Painting palette

- 1 On the **Brush Selector** bar in the upper-right corner of the application window, choose a Cloner brush variant from the **Brush Variant** selector.  
By default, Corel Painter Essentials selects the last-used Cloner brush and variant, but you can choose any Cloner brush and variant.
- 2 With the clone of the image open, choose an option from the **Stroke** pop-up menu on the **Auto-Painting** palette.
- 3 Adjust the **Pressure** slider to set the amount of pressure with which the brush strokes are applied.  
The range is 0 to 200, which is a percentage of the preset pressure for the Stroke option.
- 4 Adjust the **Length** slider to set the length of the brush strokes.  
The range is 0 to 200, which is a percentage of the preset length for the Stroke option.
- 5 Adjust the **Rotation** slider to set the rotation of the brush strokes.  
The range is 0 to 360 degrees.
- 6 Adjust the **Brush Size** slider to set the size of the brush strokes.
- 7 Click the **Play**  button.  
Brush strokes are automatically applied to the clone.
- 8 When you're satisfied with the portrait, or if you want to adjust the settings further, click the **Stop**  button.

**New! Restoration palette:** When painting a portrait, users can take advantage of the Restoration palette to restore detail from their original image. This palette is particularly beneficial for honing a subject's facial features.



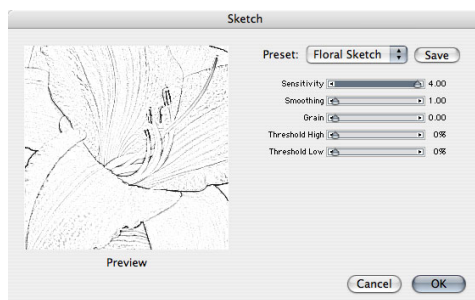
*The new Restoration palette is great for restoring original detail from the cloned image, particularly for refining facial features.*

## Give it a try

### Using the Restoration palette

- 1 On the **Restoration** palette, click one of the following buttons:
  - **Soft Edge Cloner Brush** — activates the Soft Edge Cloner brush variant, which restores detail gradually
  - **Hard Edge Cloner Brush** — activates the Straight Cloner brush variant, which restores detail quickly with a few brush strokes
- 2 Adjust the **Brush Size** slider.
- 3 Paint over the area in which you want to restore detail.

**New! Sketch Effect:** The new Sketch Effect feature automatically creates a black-and-white pencil sketch from a photo. Corel Painter Essentials 3 gives users five adjustable options for defining pencil sketches. In addition, users can save and reuse their own custom option settings.



*Users can create pencil sketches from photos by using the new Sketch Effect feature.*

**New! Quick Clone:** When users are ready to create their own painting from a photo, Quick Clone gives them total control. This new feature creates the clone of a photo, deletes its contents, turns on Tracing Paper, and selects the last-used Cloner brush and variant. Users can adjust Quick Clone settings on the General page of the Preferences dialog box. For example, users can choose to clone with Tracing Paper on or off.



*Painting from a cloned photo by Bruce Dorn.*

## Give it a try

### Using Quick Clone

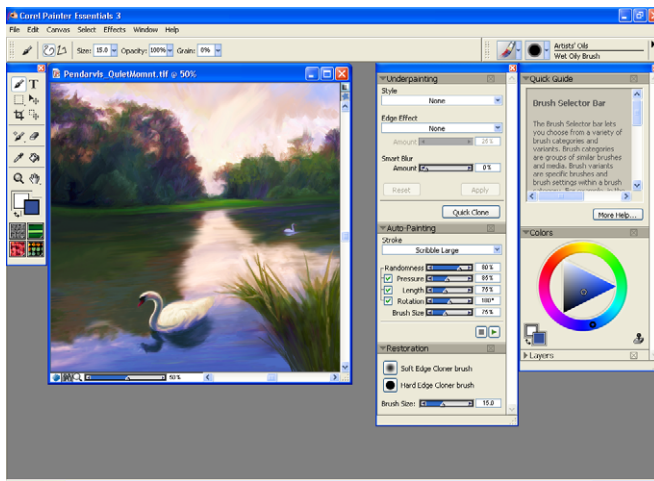
- 1 Choose **File** menu ► **Open**.
- 2 In the **Open** (Mac) or **Select Image** (Windows) dialog box, choose the image that you want to clone, and click **Open**.
- 3 Choose **File** menu ► **Quick Clone**.  
Everything is automatically set to begin cloning. To experiment with different Cloner variants, use the **Brush Variant** selector on the **Brush Selector** bar. You can use the controls on the property bar to adjust the Size and Opacity settings of the Cloner brush.
- 4 Paint over the image.  
To see the results, you can toggle Tracing Paper off or on by pressing **Command + T** (Mac) or **Ctrl + T** (Windows).

**New! Cloner tool:** The new Cloner tool is conveniently located in the toolbox to give users immediate access to their last-used Cloner brush and brush variant.

## Have Fun with Digital Art

Corel Painter Essentials 3 delivers an impressive array of new features that give users unprecedented ability to replicate a real-world painting experience with their computer.

**New! Artists' Oils brush category:** The new Artists' Oils brush category gives users an incredibly realistic oil-painting experience. Each dab of an Artists' Oils brush on the canvas loads a preset, finite amount of paint. As the paint runs out, the bristly brush stroke becomes fainter. Brush strokes interact with any paint already on the canvas as they would in the real world. Corel Painter Essentials 3 includes five Artists' Oils brush variants: Blender Brush, Grainy Dry Brush, Impasto Palette Knife, Thick Wet Impasto, and Wet Oily Brush.



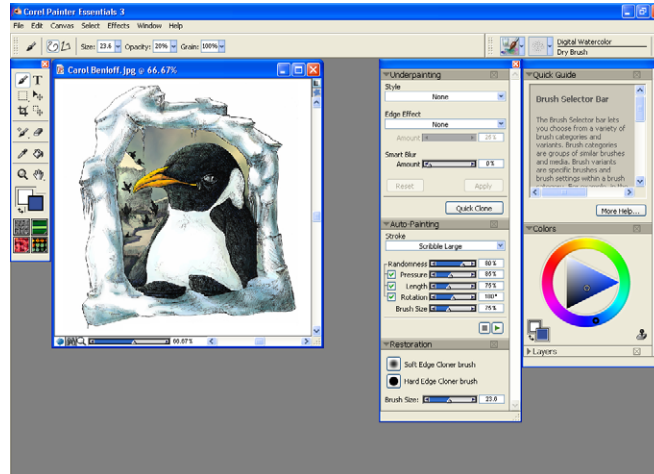
*Artists' Oils painting by Cher Threinen-Pendarvas.*

## Give it a try

### **Painting with Artists' Oils**

- 1 Choose **File** menu ► **New**, and select white for the paper color. Artists' Oils blend with all colors on the canvas, including paper color. (This is useful when you paint on a photograph or use a color wash as an underpainting.) To prevent Artists' Oils from blending with the canvas color, create a new layer exclusively for the Artists' Oils (choose **Layers** menu ► **New Layer**).
- 2 On the **Brush Selector** bar, choose **Artists' Oils** from the **Brush Category** selector.
- 3 On the **Brush Selector** bar, choose a brush variant from the **Brush Variant** selector.
- 4 Paint on the canvas.

**Enhanced! Digital Watercolor brush category:** Digital Watercolor produces watercolor effects that react with the canvas texture. Significantly enhanced in Corel Painter Essentials 3, the Digital Watercolor paint now stays wet between sessions, enabling users to start one session where the last one ended.



*Digital watercolor painting by Carol Benioff.*

## Give it a try

### Painting with Digital Watercolor

- 1 Choose **File** menu ► **New**, choose a paper size and color, and click **OK**.
- 2 On the **Brush Selector** bar, choose **Digital Watercolor** from the **Brush Category** selector.
- 3 On the **Brush Selector** bar, choose a brush variant from the **Brush Variant** selector.
- 4 Paint on the canvas.

**New! Rotate/Flip Canvas:** Corel Painter Essentials 3 now lets users rotate or flip images directly in the application, just as they would with non-digital images in the real world. Users can choose from preset rotation values or specify their own custom rotation value. Image composition is easily verified at the touch of a button.

**New! Rubber Stamp tool:** The new Rubber Stamp tool is located in the toolbox to make it easy for users to set up point-to-point cloning. By setting source and destination reference points, users can clone within a document or between different areas of separate documents.

**New! Eraser tool:** Now conveniently located in the toolbox, the new Eraser tool erases any medium on the canvas.

## Enjoy Compatibility with Popular Software and Hardware

Corel Painter Essentials 3 is compatible with Corel Paint Shop Pro X, Corel Photo Album 6, Adobe Photoshop CS, and Adobe Photoshop Elements. As a result, users can enjoy a complete digital photography workflow, ranging from photo editing and digital painting to organizing image collections and creating keepsakes and crafts. For Mac OS X users, Corel Painter Essentials 3 is also compatible with Apple iPhoto. In addition, Corel Painter Essentials offers extensive support for Wacom® pen tablet technology. What's more, the application has been enhanced to run faster and smoother — with some brushes operating 10 times faster than ever before!

**New! Support for Corel® Paint Shop Pro® file format:** Users of the Windows operating system can now open Corel Paint Shop Pro file formats (versions 9 and X) with Corel Painter Essentials 3.

**New! Integration with Corel® Photo Album™:** Users of the Windows operating system can now send files directly from Corel Painter Essentials 3 to Corel Photo Album 6. This lets digital-camera enthusiasts use Corel Photo Album to organize and showcase the paintings they've crafted with Painter Essentials, so that their creative projects can be easily shared with friends and family.

### Give it a try

#### **Sending artwork to Corel® Photo Album™ (Windows®)**

- 1 Choose **File** menu ▶ **Open**.
- 2 In the **Select Image** dialog box, choose the image that you want to send to Corel Photo Album, and click **Open**.
- 3 Choose **File** menu ▶ **Send to Corel Photo Album**.
- 4 In the **Save** dialog box, type a name for the file, and click **OK**.

**New! Support for Adobe® Photoshop® CS and Adobe® Photoshop® Elements:** Users can now seamlessly exchange files between Corel Painter Essentials, Adobe Photoshop, and Adobe Photoshop Elements. Layers and layer sets (layer groups) are maintained when users open and save files in the PSD file format.



**New! Support for Apple® iPhoto™:** Mac OS users can easily add their Corel Painter Essentials artwork to their digital image collections, thanks to support for Apple iPhoto. Users can set their iPhoto preferences to designate Corel Painter Essentials as their photo-editing software. This means that double-clicking an iPhoto image will open the image for editing in Corel Painter Essentials.

## Give it a try

### **Setting iPhoto™ Preferences to use Corel® Painter™ Essentials for Image Editing (Mac OS®)**

- 1 Start **iPhoto**.
- 2 Choose **iPhoto** menu ▶ **Preferences**.
- 3 In the **Preferences** dialog box, enable the **Opens In Other** option, and click **Select**.
- 4 Click the **Corel Painter Essentials 3** folder, and choose **Corel Painter Essentials 3**.
- 5 Click **Open**.

Now, when using iPhoto, you can double-click any image to open it for editing with Corel Painter Essentials 3.

**Enhanced! Support for Wacom® pen tablets:** Corel Painter Essentials 3 fully supports the most recent advancements in pen tablet technology from Wacom, including the Wacom® Intuos® 3 pen tablet, the Cintiq 21UX interactive pen display, and the 6D Art Pen.

**New! Support for Mac OS® X.4 (Tiger):** Corel Painter Essentials 3 supports Mac OS® X.4 (Tiger), the latest Apple® operating system.

**Enhanced! Application speed and performance:** This is the fastest version of Corel Painter Essentials yet. Some brushes perform up to 10 times faster than in earlier versions. On average, all brushes work twice as fast. In addition, users can now change the default scratch disk location and memory allocation in the Preferences dialog box.

**Enhanced! Zoom:** With Corel Painter Essentials 3, users can zoom by pressing Ctrl and + (Windows) or Command and + (Mac OS). These shortcuts now use predefined values, so it's easier to return to common zoom levels.

**Support for Microsoft® Tablet PC Edition:** Corel Painter Essentials 3 supports Windows XP Tablet PC Edition 2005, the latest pen-based mobile operating system from Microsoft.

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## Corel® Painter™ Essentials Brushes

Brushes are the heart and soul of Corel Painter Essentials. There are 18 brush categories, ranging from crayons and chalk to acrylics, watercolors, and the new Artists' Oils. While most brush categories mirror the look and feel of traditional brushes, others offer users a one-of-a-kind creative tool.

The following sections list the brush categories in Corel Painter Essentials and highlight some of the brush variants offered.

### Acrylics

All Acrylic brush variants cover underlying brush strokes. Many are capable of multicolored strokes, and others interact with underlying pixels to create realistic effects.



*Wet Acrylic*



*Captured Bristle*



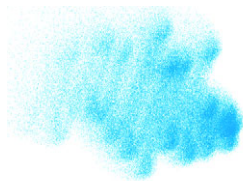
*Thick Acrylic Flat*

### Airbrushes

Airbrushes apply fine sprays of color. Computed airbrushes carefully mirror the feel of a real airbrush in action.



*Coarse Spray*



*Fine Spray*



*Digital Airbrush*

## Art Pen Brushes

The Art Pen Brushes capture the fluid motion of the artist's hand, providing a heightened level of realism in digital art that is unprecedented.



*Thin Smooth Calligraphy*



*Felt Art Marker*



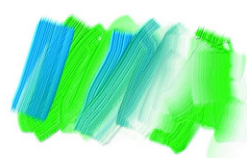
*Tapered Gouache*

## Artists' Oils

Brush variants from the Artists' Oils category let users mix paints as though they were working with traditional oil paints. Each stroke created with an Artists' Oils brush variant loads the brush with a finite amount of oil, which is then transferred to the image. As the user applies a stroke to the canvas, the Artists' Oils brush runs out of paint, and the brush stroke becomes fainter. Because layers don't have the oily properties of the canvas, brush strokes applied to a layer don't fade as rapidly. Some Artists' Oils brush variants are palette knives, allowing artists to mix paint directly on the canvas.



*Blender*



*Thick Wet Impasto*



*Grainy Dry*

## Artists

Artist brush variants help users paint in the styles of master artists. For example, users can paint in the style of Vincent Van Gogh, in which brush strokes are multishaded, or in the style of Georges Seurat, in which multiple dots combine to form an image. With Artist brush variants, quick dragging produces wider strokes. Users can adjust the Color Variability settings to determine the coloring of the Artist brush strokes.



*Impressionist*



*Seurat*



*Auto Van Gogh*

## Blenders

Blenders affect underlying pixels by moving and mixing them. The variants can reproduce the effects of blending paint by applying water or oil. Users can also smooth drawing lines and create shading just as they would on a pencil sketch or charcoal drawing.



*Smear*



*Smudge*

## Chalk

Chalk brush variants produce the thick, rich texture of natural chalk sticks, and the brush strokes interact with the paper grain.



*Square Chalk*



*Sharp Chalk*

## Cloners

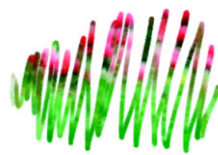
The Cloner brush variants behave like other brush variants, except that they take color from a clone source. These variants re-create the source imagery while effectively filtering it, reproducing the image in an artistic style, such as pastel chalk or watercolor.



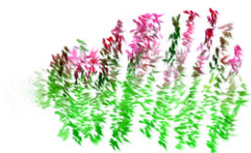
*Clone Source Photo*



*Camel Oil Cloner*



*Chalk Cloner*



*Impressionist Cloner*



*Coarse Watercolor*



*Soft Cloner*

## Crayons

Crayons offer a range of styles. From soft and dull to waxy and grainy, they produce textured strokes that interact with the paper grain.



*Basic Crayon*



*Waxy Crayon*

## Digital Watercolor

Digital Watercolor brush variants produce watercolor effects that react with the canvas texture. In creating a watercolor from scratch, the Watercolor brush variants allow colors to flow, mix, and absorb realistically. Digital Watercolor brush strokes affect each other as users apply one brush stroke on another.



*Broad Water Brush*



*Diffuse Water Brush*



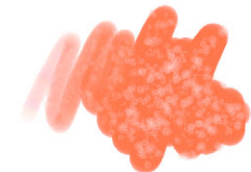
*Dry Water Brush*



*Gentle Wet Eraser  
applied to a brush stroke*



*Simple Water*



*Salt applied to a  
brush stroke*

## Erasers

Eraser brush variants erase down to the paper color.



*Eraser*



*Flat Eraser*

## Image Hose

The Image Hose is a special brush that applies images instead of color. It “paints” with special image files called nozzles. Each nozzle file contains multiple images that are organized by characteristics such as size, color, and angle.



*Linear Angle-B  
(Bearing)*



*Linear Size-P  
(Pressure)*

## Oils

Oil brush variants let users create effects that they’d expect from oil paints. Some variants are semitransparent and can be used to produce a glazed effect. Other variants are opaque and cover underlying brush strokes.



*Fine Camel*



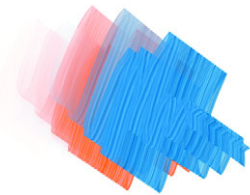
*Opaque Flat*



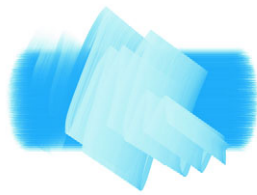
*Smearly Round*

## Palette Knives

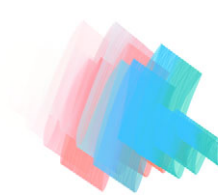
Palette Knife brush variants let users scrape, push, or pick up and drag colors in their image. Only one Palette Knife brush variant, the Loaded Palette Knife, applies the current paint color.



*Loaded Palette Knife*



*Palette Knife applied  
to a brush stroke*



*Smearly Palette Knife*

## Pastels

Pastels range from hard pastel styles that reveal the paper grain to extra-soft pastels that glide on to completely cover existing brush strokes.



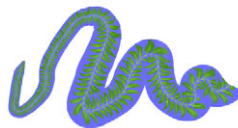
*Soft Pastel*



*Artist Pastel Chalk*

## Pattern Pens

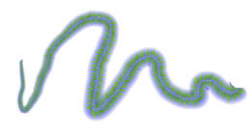
With Pattern Pen brush variants, users can apply a pattern to an image and vary features such as pattern size and transparency. For example, Pattern Pen Micro decreases the size of the pattern, and Pattern Pen Transparent applies a semitransparent version of the pattern.



*Pattern Pen*



*Pattern Pen Masked*



*Pattern Pen Soft*

## Pencils

Pencil brush variants are great for any artwork that would traditionally require pencils — from rough sketches to fine line drawings. Like their natural counterparts, Pencil brush variants interact with canvas texture. All of the variants build to black. The width of Pencil strokes varies according to the speed of the stroke, so dragging quickly produces a thinner line and dragging slowly leaves a thicker line.



*2B Pencil*



*Grainy Variable Pencil*

## Tinting

Tinting brush variants let users apply effects to photos or existing artwork. For example, users can apply translucent color to areas of a black-and-white photo by using the Basic Round brush variant.



*Basic Round*



*Blender*



*Soft Grainy Round*



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## Summary of New and Enhanced Features

### Learn to Draw and Paint Digitally

- The new **Welcome screen** gives quick access to recently used files, tutorials, and brush and color-management settings, as well as artwork from renowned Corel Painter Masters.
- Users can find the answers to their questions in the **improved Corel Painter Essentials 3 documentation**.
- Corel Painter Essentials 3 also includes new **Quick Start tutorials** to help users get up and running quickly.
- **Training videos** created by **lynda.com** guide users through the application and teach some exciting new techniques for creating lasting memories.
- The new **Quick Guide** palette is always available to help users learn more about the Corel Painter Essentials 3 workspace.

### Turn Photos into Paintings

- The new **Underpainting palette** lets users prepare a photo for cloning.
- Users can watch Corel Painter Essentials 3 create a stunning painting from a photo by using the new **Auto-Painting palette**.
- The new **Restoration palette** lets users restore original detail from their cloned photo.
- **Quick Clone** reduces the number of steps in image cloning from five to one.
- The new **Sketch Effect** automatically creates a sketch from photos!

### Have Fun with Digital Art

- The **Rotate/Flip Canvas command** extends the flexibility of the digital art studio.
- **Multiple layers** can be hidden or displayed with a simple click and drag.
- Three brand new tools have been introduced in Corel Painter Essentials 3 — the **Eraser tool** erases any medium, the **Rubber Stamp tool** helps

users with point-to-point cloning, and the **Cloner tool** helps users clone from image to image.

- The all-new **Artists' Oils** brushes behave remarkably like traditional oil-painting tools and media.
- Enhanced **Digital Watercolor** brushes offer diffusion and wet-fringe control and stay wet between sessions.
- Corel Painter Essentials 3 includes more than **75 Natural-Media brushes!**
- Brand-new **Nozzles and Patterns** have been created for Corel Painter Essentials 3.

## Enjoy Compatibility with Popular Software and Hardware

- Users can now **seamlessly exchange files** between Corel Painter Essentials, Adobe Photoshop CS, and Adobe Photoshop Elements. Layers and layer sets (layer groups) are maintained when users open and save files in the PSD file format.
- Corel Painter Essentials 3 supports Wacom's newest pen tablet model — the **Wacom Intuos3**.
- Corel Painter Essentials 3 also supports Wacom's new **Intuos3 6D Art Pen**. Ten brand-new Art Pen Brushes have been added specifically for use with Wacom's newest pen.
- Users can now open **Corel Paint Shop Pro X file formats** with Corel Painter Essentials 3.
- From Corel Painter Essentials 3, users can now send artwork directly to **Corel Photo Album 6**.
- A focus on **increased performance** makes this the fastest version of Corel Painter Essentials ever, with some brushes working 10 times faster.
- New **Multuser Support** stores all custom settings in each user's directory, enabling multiple users to work in their own styles on the same computer.
- **Area-averaging** control gives higher-quality zoomed-out views.
- Corel Painter Essentials 3 **remembers the last folders** in which files were opened and saved.
- Users can choose from a range of **cursor icons**, including the popular Triangle Cursor.

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