

Metallic pigment printing

Metallic pigments give a soft, rich metallic finish and can have striking effects when blotch printed over Opaque Binders to give an embossed trompe l'oeil surface effect.

You are strongly advised and encouraged to keep thorough notes for any colour combinations and recipes you develop over your course of study, alongside a small fabric swatch, to help you establish your own colour reference library.

Recipe:

1. 15% grams Metallic Pigment Powder.
2. 80 – 85% grams Selectasine Metallic Binder MT.
3. *Optional* 1 – 5 % grams of concentrated pigment colour. **REMEMBER** to deduct this value from the binder if included.

Method:

1. Gather your metallic pigment powder, mixing pot, and a spatula.
2. Switch on the extraction, positioning in line with your mixing pot.
3. Measure out your Selectasine Metallic Binder MT and optional concentrated pigment colour.
4. Slowly and carefully add the metallic powder to the binder, stirring constantly to ensure an even distribution.
5. Print and dry.
6. Press at 150°C for 20 seconds on the heat transfer press to fix.

ALTERNATIVELY – for larger work

7. Bake at 150°C for 5 mins in the baker to fix.

Wash:

1. Rinse in cold water.
2. Dry and press.