

CHERYL HOLZ-
Night Sky Splendor
Make It Artsy

MATERIALS:

Grafix Opaque White Craft Plastic Film
Grafix Clear Adhesive Backed Film for Inkjet 8.5×11”
Grafix Frisket Film
Grafix Clear Film for Inkjet 8.5×11”
Clip art or photos of tree silhouettes
Marabu Alcohol Inks in the following colors: (or your own choice!)
 Black
 Gentian
 Amethyst
 Magenta
 Tangerine
 Vanilla
 Silver
 Rainbow
 Extender
Marabu Art Sprays in the following colors: (or your own choice!)
 Black
 Gentian
 Petrol
 Caribbean
 Silver
Marabu Porcelain & Glas Painter- white

Double sided tape
Rigid hardboard
Bamboo skewer
Isopropyl Rubbing Alcohol 91%
Small spray bottle
Small palette
Water container
Soft brush
Deli or scrap paper
Paper towel
Old toothbrush
Brushes- Fan and fine
Xacto knife
Ruler

1. Research Images for Inspiration!

Look at books and images of the night skies, constellations, nebula, sunsets!

2. Gather Silhouette Images

Print out some tree silhouette images from photos or clipart onto Grafix clear film for inkjet. Check for scale and placement on craft film.

3. Sunset and Night Sky under painting

Tape a 4" x 6" piece of Grafix Opaque White Craft Plastic Film to rigid board using double-sided tape. Squirt Marabu alcohol Ink extender randomly across entire film. Apply Black alcohol ink across top of film, followed by Gentian Blue. Rock board back and forth to help spread, or use finger to help distribute. Continue working your way down the rainbow towards the horizon line, continuing with Amethyst, then Magenta, Tangerine and finally Vanilla. Reapply extender if it appears to dry. Rock and tilt until happy with sunset distribution! Spritz alcohol onto a toothbrush and flick onto surface for "stars" at any point!

4. Mask off sunset portion of painting

Cut a piece of Grafix frisket film to protect the bottom portion of the sunset that you want to keep as is.

5. Spray on Art Spray Sky!

Using Marabu Black, Petrol, Caribbean (or any other colors you choose!) spray on the darkest part of the night sky at top, fading to lighter colors at bottom. Spritz some silver stars on using Marabu Silver Art Spray.

6. Add Alcohol ink Stars, Nebula, Moon

Drop in iridescence by adding drops of Marabu Rainbow. Spritz some rubbing alcohol onto a clean toothbrush and flick onto the sky to push away art spray, making more stars. Squirt some magenta alcohol ink (or whatever color you want!) onto another toothbrush and flick on. Squirt some alcohol ink directly on. Continue until you are happy with your night sky! Remove frisket film, and add additional squirts to blend in, or use brush dampened with water to blend some of the art spray into the sunset.

7. Draw in white Moon and stars

Using a white Marabu Porcelain & Glas Painter, dot in additional stars, pulling out their rays using a bamboo skewer. Add full or partial moon if you like! At this point, add another spritz of Marabu Silver Art Spray if more silver stars are desired.

8. Attaching tree silhouettes

Place your painting on a piece of deli or scrap paper. Peel off the protective backing film of the Computer graphics clear adhesive back film for ink jet. Place where you want it to go, put protective backing on top and burnish. Trim off edges and Voila!

