

Beginner Painting tips for Scythe Buildings

I'm not a great painter, so the buildings I did for Scythe are just a simple attempt to capture some of the colours and effects that I had in mind when I designed the custom pieces. This covers the Scythe Factory paint scheme.

There are lots of paint ranges made specifically for painting miniatures but they are basically acrylic paints. I used some old citadel paints left over from when I used to play Warhammer 40K.

- 1- Base coat (main colours of the parts of the model)
- 2- Ink Wash (to highlight the shadows)
- 3- Highlight (Drybrush or painting on raised areas)

The Factory

Step 1

First thing is to prime the factory using a primer (I used a black automotive spray prime as shown on this photo)



Step 2

Next apply the Base colours to the factory (I used these)

- **Swamp Brown** on the brickwork.
- **Ork Flesh** on the cast ironwork including the three cast iron pads that the mechs and characters stand on
- **Hawk Turquoise** on the building roof sections
- **Abaddon Black** on the
 - railway lines
 - cast iron chimneys
 - cast iron cylinders near the lowest pad and halfway up the brick chimney
 - Coal fired boilers
 - Cooling Tower
 - Any windows that are not open
- **Brass Scorpion** on the steam engine



Step 3

Apply a liberal coat of Black wash to pick out the shadows and add some depth to the building details. In this case I used my old **unnamed citadel black ink wash**, but you could also use any other black wash like **Citadel Nuln Oil**. (I didn't take a photo of this stage unfortunately)

Step 4

Next just drybrush each area with the appropriate colours as shown below

- Drybrush **Swamp Brown** on the brickwork.
- Drybrush **Ork Flesh** on the cast ironwork including the three cast iron pads that the mechs and characters stand on.
- Drybrush **Hawk Turquoise** on the building roof sections
- Drybrush **Runefang Steel** on railway lines
 - cast iron chimneys
 - cast iron cylinders near the lowest pad and halfway up the brick chimney
 - Coal fired boilers
 - Cooling Tower
- **Brass Scorpion** on the steam engine
- Drybrush a small amount of **Runefang Steel** on all the green cast ironwork and on the Brass Steam engine just to pick out some of the worn and shiny areas.

For more information there's a wealth of resources on the web that will explain everything about the methods and tools you need. Just search for "miniature painting guide" or "miniature painting for beginners" .

There's also lots on youtube and other video channels.

Hope this was useful

Thanks

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