

Sponge Daubers

So what can you do with sponge daubers?

- Use to colour line art with pastels
- Sponge the edges of card stock
- Colour white or cream ribbon with ink to match your creation
- Colour Pretties Kit flowers with ink or pastels
- Stamp a design with sponge daubers

Tips

- Use a separate sponge dauber for each colour of ink and/or pastels
- Wash after use, either by hand or machine (use a mesh bag to hold them)
- Label your daubers with address or label maker labels

How to Store Daubers

From Debbie Thompkins: "I have a dauber for each of the Stampin' Up! colours & put a sticky label on each one as well. Two colour families will fit in SU plastic cases that measure 5 x 3 3/4". I've never washed mine, and constantly switch between using ink and pastels."

From Laura Albertson: This is how I store them- I LOVE these cases ([click here to see](#)). These are currently \$4.99 from scrapbook.com (you can buy them from the same link), who do deliver to the UK.

From Bev Snabl: One of my friends bought some plastic containers that are used for holding embroidery thread etc. She has one dauber & one 1/4 sponge for each colour. She stores the sponge & dauber together in these divided sections.

From Ann Clemmer: I have a 48 drawer plastic cabinet that sits on my table. It's fairly good size, but not huge. The drawers are big enough to get 30 or more daubers in each one. There are 4 rows across & 6 down. I have a couple drawers dedicated to daubers because I don't have a dauber for each colour. I label each dauber with a labeller. The drawers are for A-L & M-Z. That's the way I do most of my colours. You may wish to do it by Reds, Blues, etc., but this way works for me.

Poppin' Pastels

by Beate Johns

Use your chalks and applicators to make unseen images colorful.

Supplies



- VersaMark® Pad
- Versamarker® (optional)
- Stamps
- Cardstock
- Sponge Daubers
- Pastels (also known as chalks)

Step-by-Step

Step 1



Stamp images with VersaMark™ onto cardstock. The flower head was stamped three times here.

Step 2



Rub the sponge dauber (other other applicator) on the pastel color of your choice to pick up the color.

Step 3



Dab or rub the sponge dauber over the stamped image. The chalk will stick to it.

Step 4



Take another dauber and repeat to add another color.

Step 5



Add more images if desired. Here, flower stems, leaves and centers were added.

Step 6



Apply chalk over these images.

Step 7 (Optional)



Use a Versamarker to apply ink to other unstamped areas.

Step 8



Apply more chalk.

Step 9



To define your stamped images more, try outlining or doodling around them with a marker.

Step 10



Finish your project.

HINTS:

-The pastels will rub off a bit. You can avoid that by spraying your chalked image with acrylic sealer.

-This is a fun activity for smaller children. Stamp images in Versamark, give them a sponge dauber and chalk and tell them to rub over the cardstock until they find it.