



WATERCOLOUR SALT PAINTING



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What you'll need:

Watercolour paper
Paint brushes
Watercolours
Salt
Masking tape

Don't have watercolour paper or paints? No Problem! Swap out for these alternative materials: thick paper or card and natural paints like coffee, turmeric, food dyes



step one

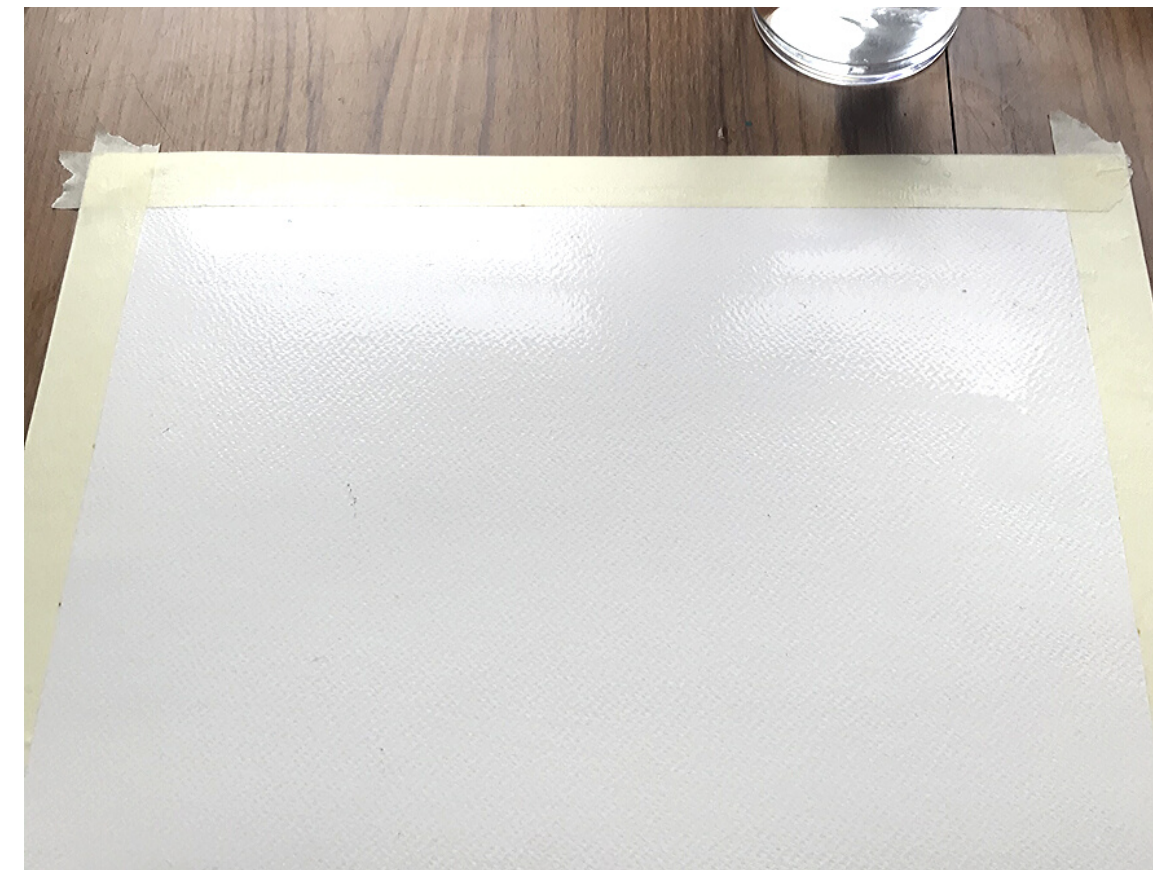
Tape the edges of your paper to make a neat border. This is not essential (so don't worry if you don't have tape) but it will make your picture pop when it's finished! It also helps to hold your paper in place!





Paint your entire page with water. This will create a soft, watercoloured effect when we add the paint. If you are not using watercolour paper make sure you do this step with as few brush strokes as possible as to not tear the paper!

step two



step three

LET'S PAINT!

This painting is going to be a spring scene, so I'm going to paint the sky blue, and then make some rough shrub shapes with brown and green. See it progress on the next page!

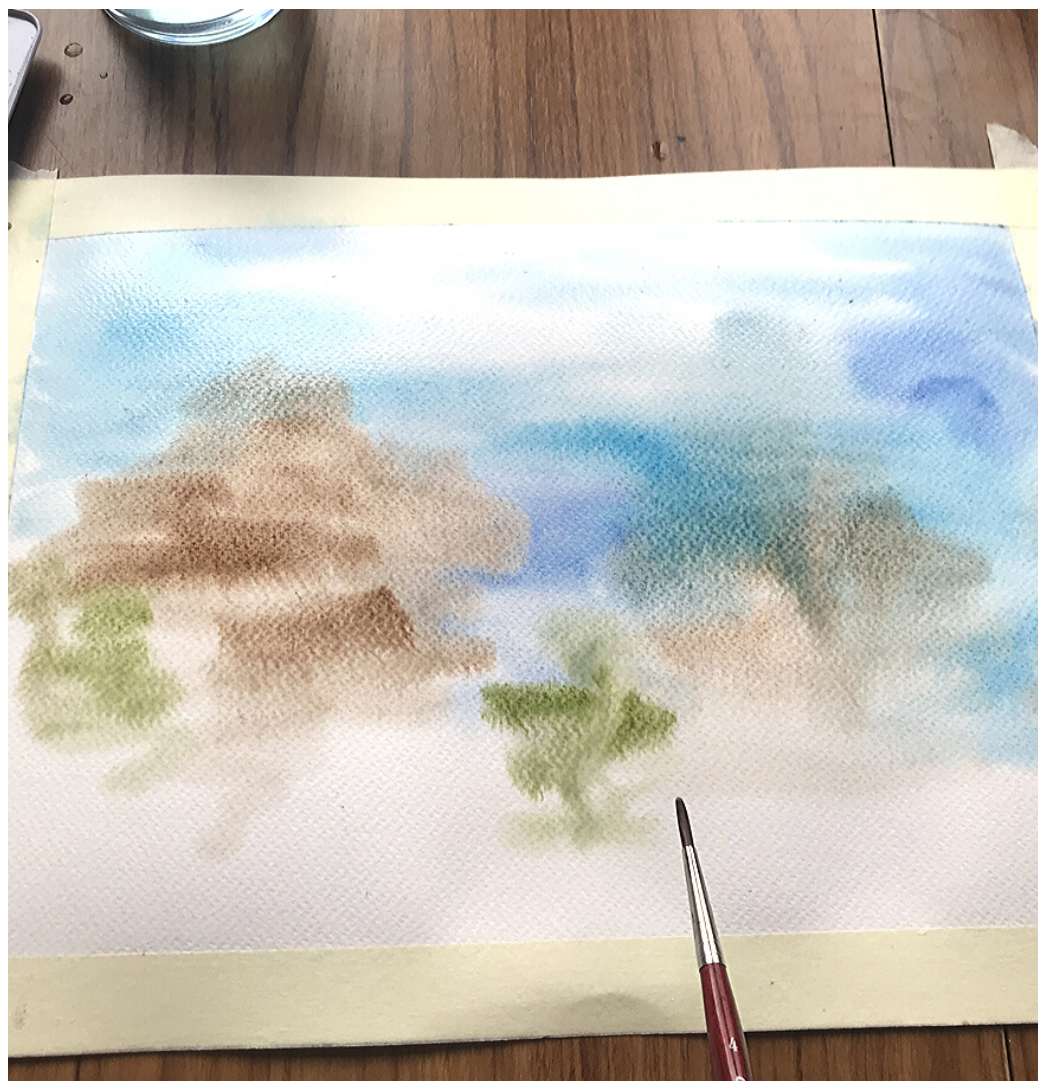




As you can see, the rougher the better! So don't worry if it's not looking like much at this stage.



step four



KEEP ADDING COLOUR!

Keep painting your shrubs, the sky and the ground. I'm adding some pink to the sky for a dusky, sunrise feel!





Once you have finished painting your landscape scene and you're happy with how it's looking, the next step is where the magic happens...

Happy with that?



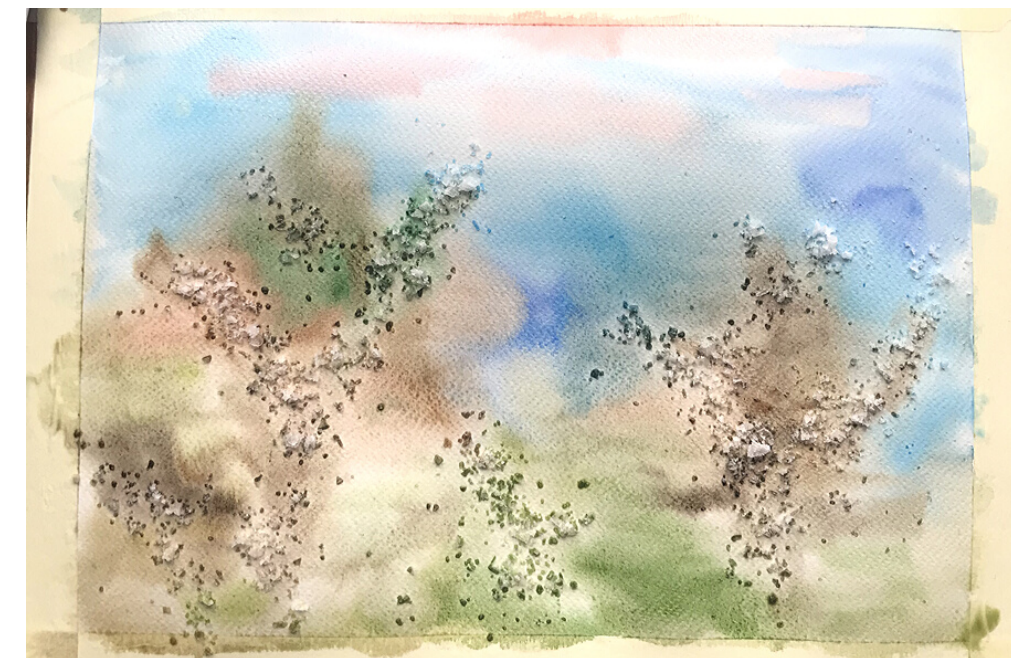
Plan

Think about where you would like your salt to go. The effect will look like snowflakes, flowers, or even crashing waves!



Sprinkle

Sprinkle the salt on your wet image.



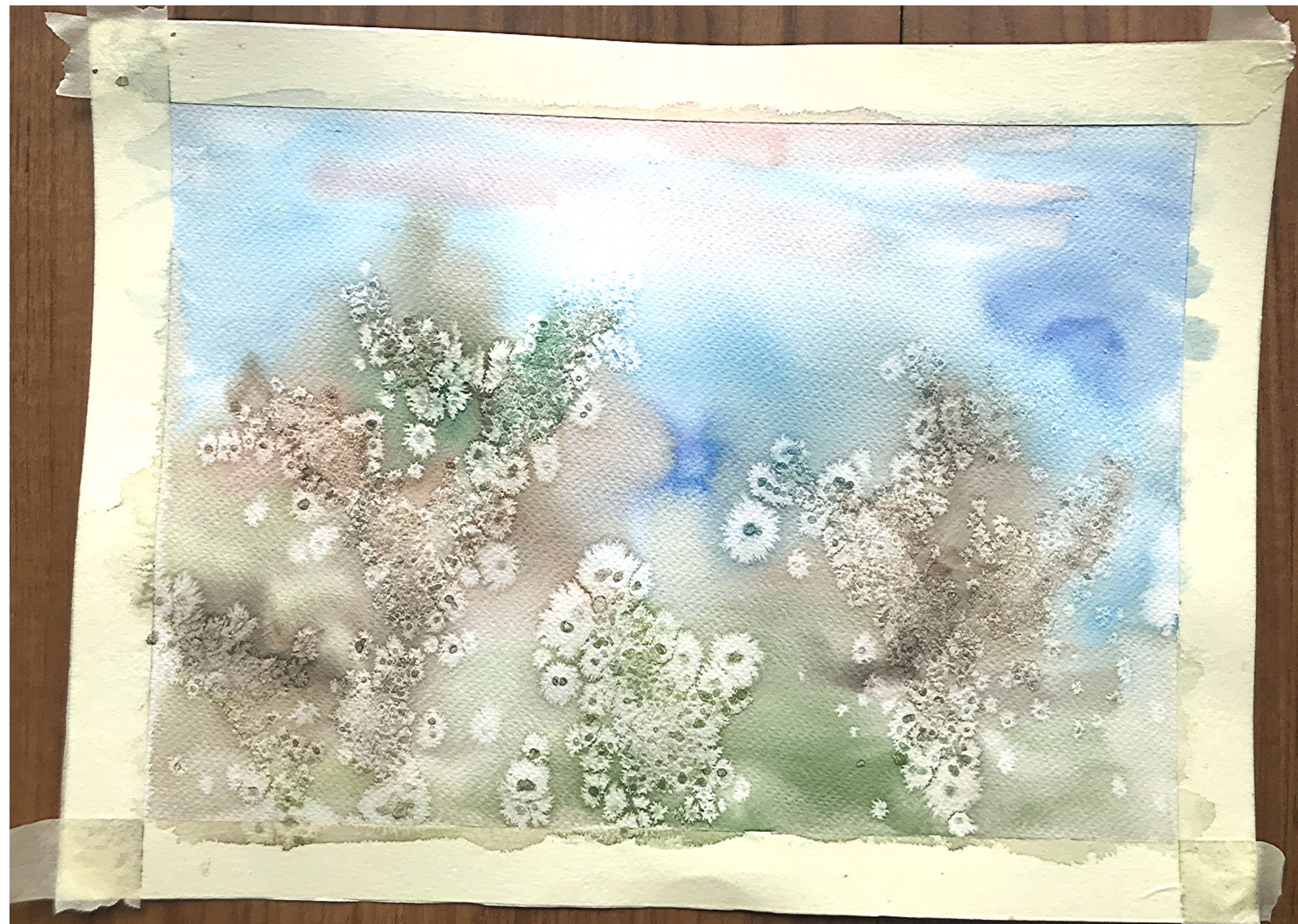
Wait

Now we've got to wait for it to dry completely!

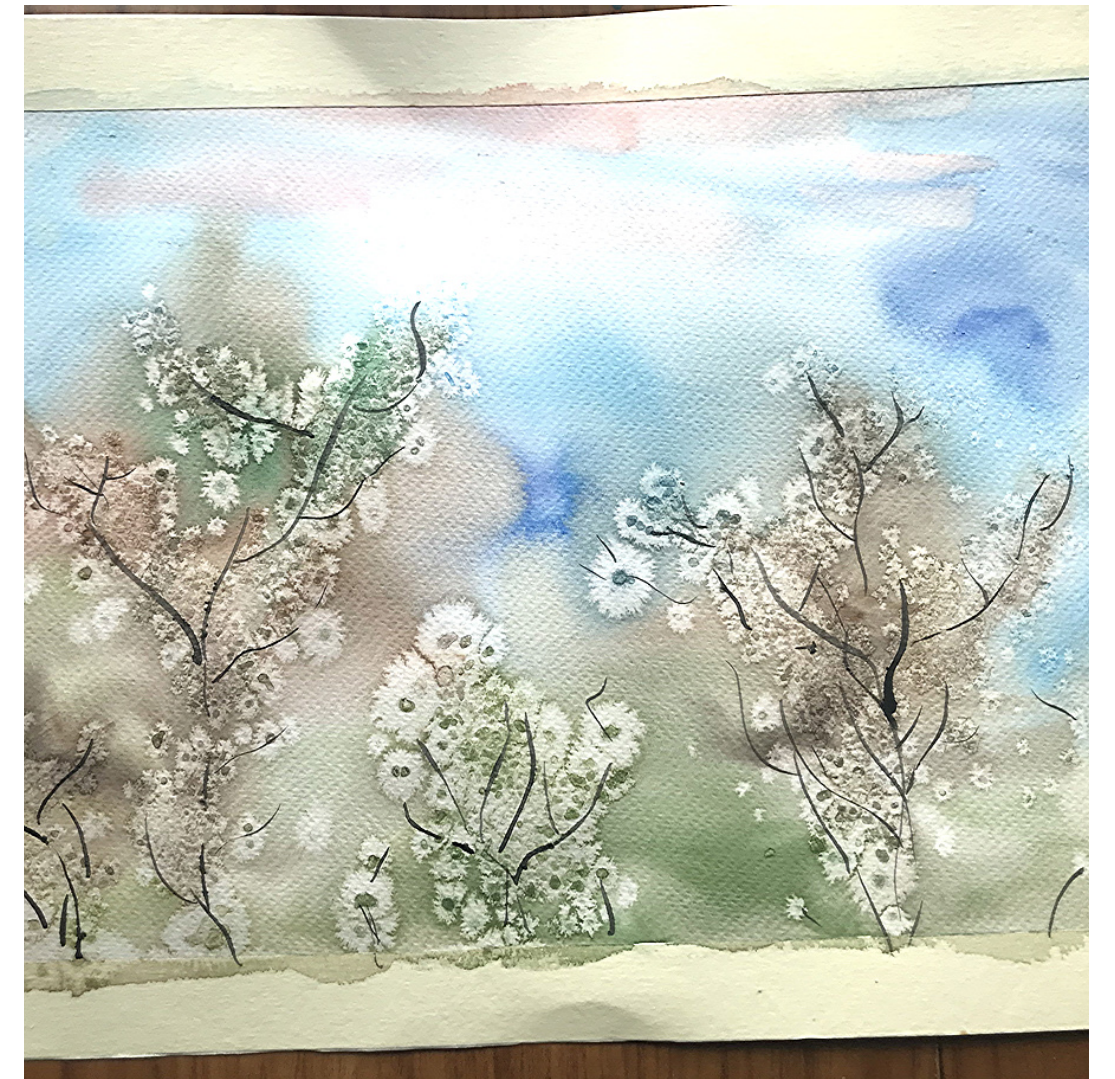
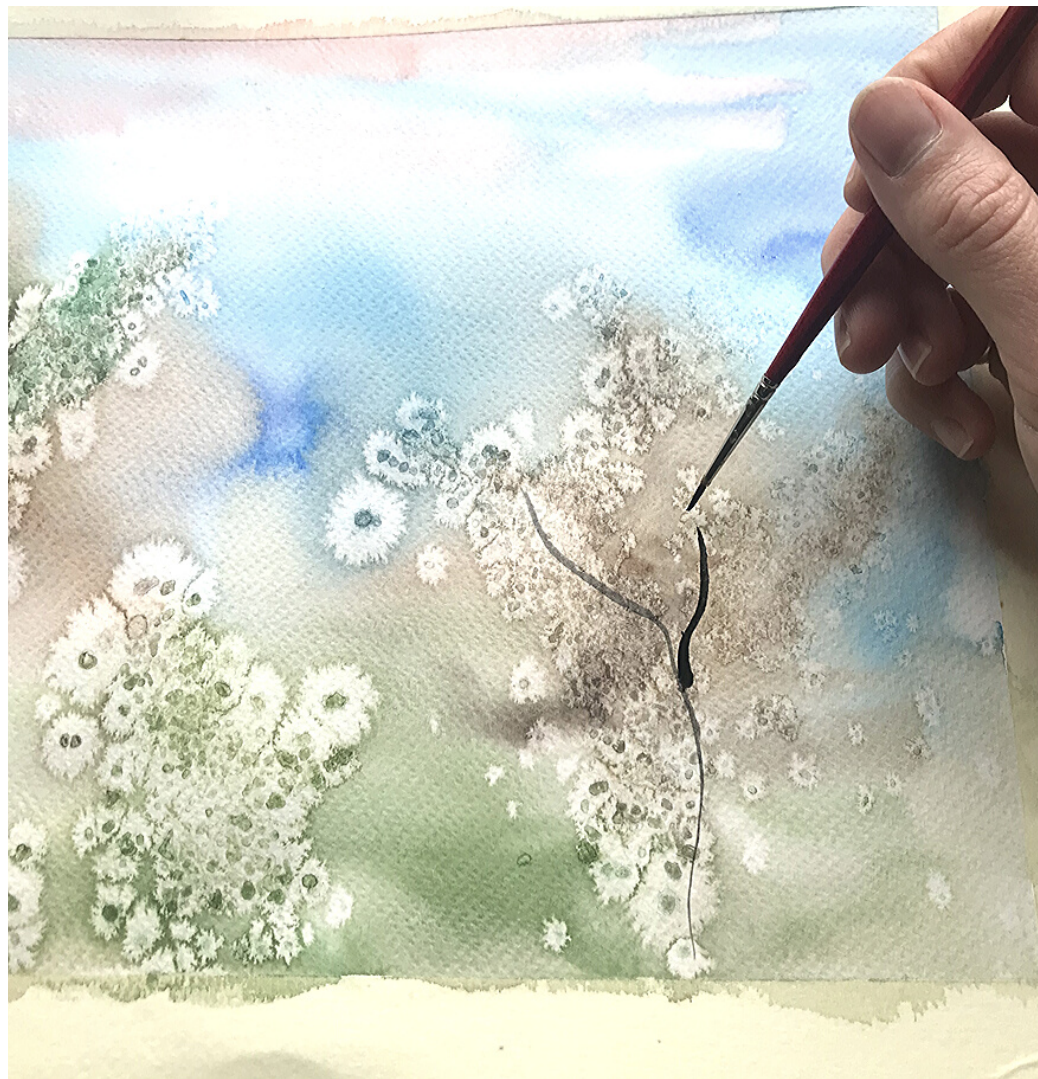
Time to add the salt!



*So it's completely dry?
Shake off all the salt...*



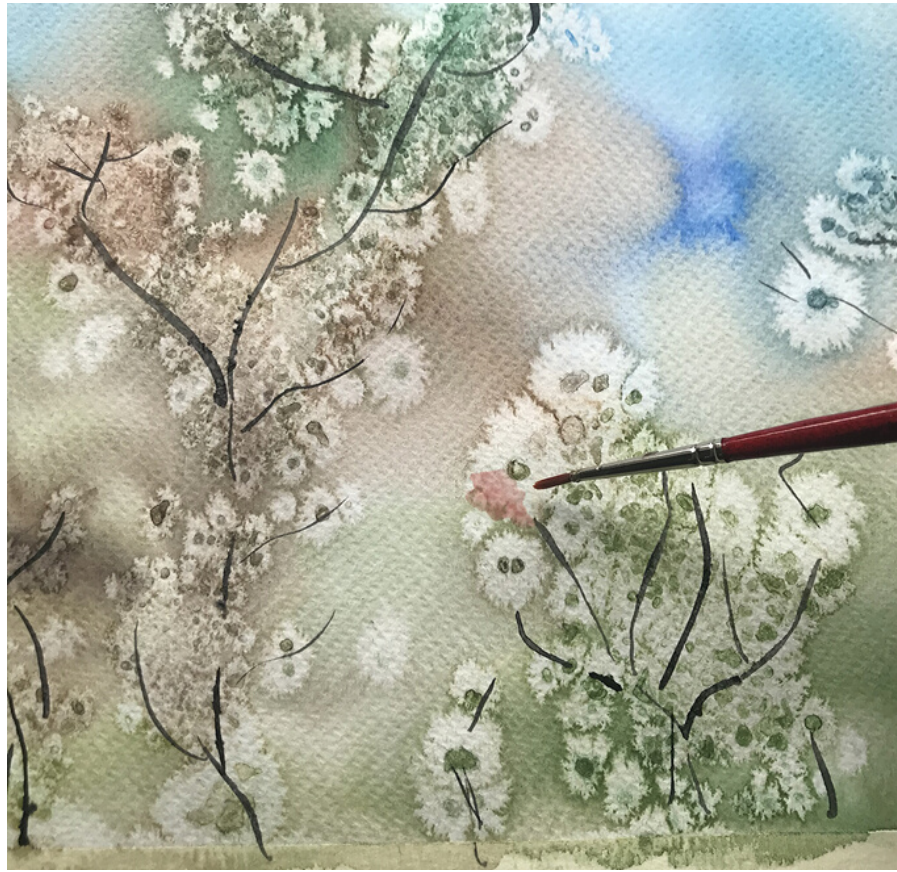
step five



NOW LET'S FOCUS ON SOME DETAIL

Using a small brush, paint some stems on your shrubs.
Press lightly so you get delicate branches.





Add some flowers by painting some of the salt marks with a splash of colour. I'm going with pink and yellow. Again, just roughly, no need for intricate detail in the petals!



Let's add some flowers...





Nearly finished

Once you are happy with your painting. Wait for it to dry completely and then peel off the tape around the edges.



TAH-DAH!

And there you have it, a watercolour
salt spring landscape!



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