

*Nadia
Louderback's*
**7 easy steps
to paint
realistic glass
and stems in
a vase**



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Steps

1. Paint in your stems without any thought of glass, you will add that later.
2. When putting in your background color paint it inside the vase. In other words, whatever color you have to the right and left of the vase, paint it inside.
3. Choose two or three stems where the light is hitting and paint them very light on the sunlit side and very dark behind them and/or in front of them to make them pop.
4. Soften some of the stems, so they are out of focus, leave others with hard edges.
5. Paint the exterior of the vase with a lighter shade of white or gray, depending on the vase color. If blue jar, use light blue, etc. You do not have to paint all the way around, pick spots to paint in and leave some unsaid.
6. Paint in the water line in the vase with a lighter color...often that is just across the vase or in part that is visible. If looking down, then paint in what you see.
7. Look for real dark areas and highlights, put them in. They don't have to make sense. Paint what you see!