

OIL BASED
For beautiful prints



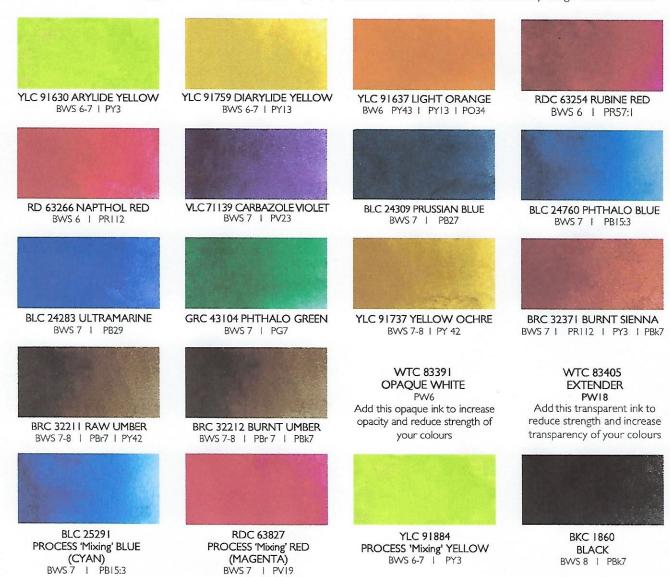
# WASHABLE for a non-toxic clean up

#### CALIGO SAFE WASH RELIEF INKS

Caligo Safe Wash Oil Modifier (WTC 83948): add a little of this when you need to thin your ink.

Caligo Wiping Compound I Tack Reducer (WTC 83756): add a little of this if you need to reduce tack and maximise ink transfer.

Contact us at hello@cranfield-colours.co.uk for more information about how to use and modify Caligo Safe Wash Inks



For colour mixing tips using our process colours and full details on modifying and using your Safe Wash Inks, contact Cranfield at www.cranfield-colours.co.uk or email our ink team at hello@cranfield-colours.co.uk

We also make Caligo Safe Wash Etching Inks



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#### Washable for easy clean up



Caligo Safe Wash Inks are made from pigment, linseed (flax) oil and an emulsifier so you can wash them away safely and easily with just soap and water. The AP "Approved Product" seal of the ACMI gives you the peace of mind of knowing they are rated safe to use. Made in Great Conforms to ASTM D-4236 Britain by Cranfield.

## Caligo Safe Wash Relief Ink

Use for all kinds of relief or block printing including woodcut, linocut and monotype.

Printing: Print on dry or lightly dampened paper for best result. Since these inks contain an emulsifier that reacts with water, avoid over-dampening the paper. Try using a damp pack or spraying the paper instead of soaking it.

Lightfast: All of the inks have a light fast rating of at least 6 on the Blue Wool Scale.

Color Mixing: A little goes a long way! The majority of the inks are made with single pigments so the mixed colors are clean and vibrant. You can control the strength of the colors by adding Extender (transparent base).

Process Colors: Designed for printers who need a CMYK set of inks to print multiple plate prints, process colors are more transparent. Mixing the three process colors creates a wide range of colors. Add white or black to create tints and shades. A Pantone® Color Guide will give an idea of the proportions needed to create the color you want. Try overprinting to create new colors where the transparent layers overlap.

Modifiers: Thin Safe Wash Relief Ink with Caligo Safe Wash Oil (Thinner). It contains the emulsifier so soap and water clean up is not lost. Thicken with magnesium carbonate. Add tack reducer to improve ink coverage when you are printing by hand, printing on dry or textured paper, or printing large areas of solid color.

Drying: Allow prints to dry in a warm, dry environment. Driers have been added to the Safe Wash Relief Inks so they normally dry within a day or two. Thick applications of ink will take longer. If you need quicker drying times, add a few drops (no more than .5% max.) of cobalt or manganese driers.

Clean Up: Wipe off as much ink as possible from flat surfaces, roll brayers over clean newsprint. Work de-greaser liquid dish washing soap such as Dawn into the remaining residue with a sponge, rag, nail brush or paint brush. You will see the ink break down and emulsify as you mix in the liquid soap. Rinse with warm (not hot) water. Repeat if necessary. Remember to always use soap first before water.

Storing: It is important to keep as much air as possible from reaching the ink so the top layer does not dry out. When you remove ink from a can, always use a circular, sweeping motion with the ink knife held perpendicular to the ink so the surface remains as flat and smooth as possible. Place a skin paper over the ink, make sure the lid is on tight and wrap electrical tape around the lid so it is air tight. Plastic containers are not air tight, so store mixed inks in metal containers.

Caligo Traditional Metallic Ink: Metallic inks are traditional linseed oil-based inks. Unlike Caligo Safe Wash inks, Metallic inks cannot be cleaned up with soap and water. Instead, clean with Gamsol, mineral oil or vegetable oil.

Tip: printing a similar pigmented color first, then overprinting with the metallic ink, will make the metallic ink pop more.

