



# TAVIRA

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**2 Days of Sketching in Algarve**

**20 - 21 April 2024**

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LIGHTHOUSE Courses presents the first  
Art & Adventure event in Algarve!

In collaboration with Kiki Trips Portugal ([kikitrips.com](http://kikitrips.com))  
offering an add-on to the Hiking Trip "TAVIRA Pura Vida"!

**Join us for the Travel Sketching event this April!**

We are going to create a series of maps and illustrations  
in a sketchbook, using only few travel convenient portable  
media: pencils, water soluble crayons,  
watercolour and gouache paints.

The process will emphasize capturing  
the impressions of visited places, especially beautiful light/shadow relations  
(emotional), as well as illustrating the  
map of the explored area (informative).

Founded in well designed compositions,  
drawing from observation, focusing  
on value sketching, making conscious  
colour choices and eventually  
modifying the image - we create a  
visual memory of stunning town of  
Tavira's and its nearest natural area.

Our intention is to work outdoor,  
on location.

See you there!

*Grażyna*





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20 April 2024

Day 1 > 10am-4pm (incl. 1h break)

Introduction to the media, material presentation  
Differences between techniques and paints  
Sketching workflow  
Using a viewfinder, defining the scene  
The importance of focal point

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Edges/brushmarks/textures in a landscape scene  
EXERCISE

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Image composition / composition / balance  
Shapes: large / medium / small  
Rule of third  
EXERCISE

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Value Studies  
EXERCISE





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21 April 2024

Day 2 > 10am-4pm (incl. 1h break)

Color theory & color wheel, cold & warm colours

Mixing colors & limited palette

EXERCISE

DEMONSTRATION

Sketching the landscape scene of your choice  
with the step-by-step guidance

Discussing the process and group feedback by the end!

General goals:

deepening the praxis from the first day.

Sketching more complex scene, involving architecture.

The matter of perspective.

Adding a simplified human figure to the landscape.



## Tools & Materials inclusive:

- self-made Lighthouse viewfinder
- self-made Lighthouse Sketchbook with high quality 300g watercolor paper
- soft pencils, eraser and sharpener
- water-soluble crayons Neocolor II
- three watercolor paints in tubes
- three gouache paints in tubes
- two flat brushes
- mixing palette
- board

You take home with you:  
a great sketchbook full of memories!

**COSTS: 220 € / 2 days**





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with Grażyna Ostrowska | Artist



Olà, I am Graży, the founder of Lighthouse Courses | Art & Adventure! I am an illustrator, painter, and a passionate traveller. Originally I come from Warsaw in Poland, but for the half of my life I live in Cologne, Germany. I have graduated from the Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw and shortly after my final exams I moved to Berlin, and finally to Cologne, where I live now with two teenage daughters. Working as an illustrator for many years, I have always been painting too, combining it for a few years with frequent traveling and sketching on the journey. Nature, in a broad sense, is the subject that inspires me the most. I feel that every creative activity, no matter the medium, eventually flows into one big sea of your unique artistic expression. This "big sea" continuously creates new waves that encourage me to keep on experimenting, be spontaneous, and try new paths – in my art, as well in my life.

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