Supply List for Pastel Pleasures

Paper: Uart sanded 400 grit is preferred, but Canson Mi Tientes, Art Spectrum and Pastel Premier are all good choices and can accept various amounts of layers.

Pastels: this is your most expensive purchase. At least 40 colors are needed. Good brands are Richeson, Sennelier, Rembrandt and Terry Ludwig. Make sure they are chalk pastels and not oil pastels. All brands say soft pastels but if they are inexpensive they tend to be hard. An inexpensive brand for beginners is Master's Touch sold by Hobby Lobby. All can be found on line. Check Amazon, Jerry's Artarama, Dick Blick and Dakota Pastels. Many companies have sales going on all the time.

Kneaded Eraser, pencil, tape (no colored painter's tapes), a backboard to attach your photo a bit larger than your paper, tin foil, paper towels, wax paper and a photo you would like to use as inspiration.

If you are a beginner chose a photo with very little going on such as a sunset or a landscape with one tree, etc.

Be aware that as you become more proficient you will want to add more pastels and supplies.