Daphne Steven's: Brazilian Leopard Orchid

Colors: White, light grey, light ruby, dark ruby, mixing Yellow, Yellow Green, Royal or Chrome Green, Black Green (Dark Green), Sultan (Blue Green Color), Black
Odorless Turpentine Supplies

For Border:
Non-ping or Base for Gold (for Border)
Base for Gold, Gecko Goop or Enamel Medium, Armadillo Oil, Mother of Pearl, Pointer Tweezers

Directions:
Apply Vinyl Designs, Mix Base for Gold with Armadillo Oil, Brush Over Stencils, use a Cosmetic Sponge to pounce a texture over Vinyl, Dry with Blow Dryer and Remove Stickers. Fire at 017.
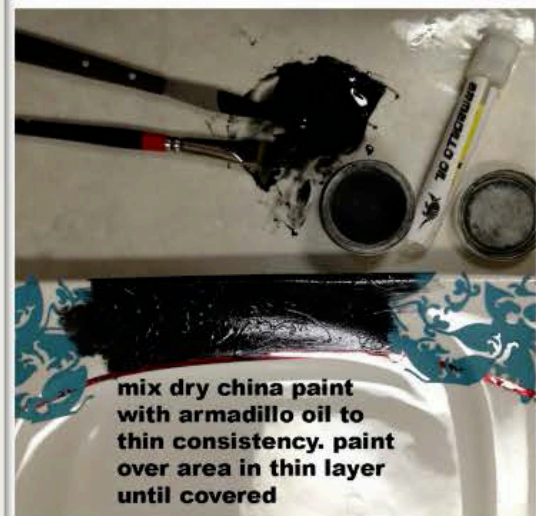
Orchid Instructions:
1. Sketch or trace design on porcelain. Start with leaves. Paint wet into wet and double load with yellow green and a dark green to form leaves. If you prefer, you can block in leaves with your yellow green just to hold the shape and shade on another fire.

2. Petals are painted in with a brush mixture of light grey, light ruby and sultan. Shade the petals with a shaded load. Leave highlights in center of petals. The tongue of the orchid has a little mixing yellow under the center. The center also has a shaded load of the grey mixture. Do a wash of a little ruby on the first fire, but you can wait until second fire. The ruffle was painted with a side load of dark ruby and a touch of black. Fire at 017.

Second Fire:

1. Reinforce color in leaves or shade leaves if you did not do it on the first fire. The base of the orchid plant has dark green and ruby in "C" strokes. Also put a little ruby on the leaves. Do not overwork or you will have a muddy color.

2. Reinforce color on the center of orchid and ruffle edges. Same as in first fire.

3. On a separate tile, put a little dark ruby and black, mix with odorless turpentine or turpenoid to an inky consistency. Using a liner brush, apply splotches. Angle the splotches slightly sideways from petal base to tip.

4. If you want enamel dots, mix base for Gold with Gecko Goop (Enamel medium), apply dots. Fire 017.

   *It is fine to do this subject in more than 2 firing sessions. You may want to do a couple of borders on a few plates then paint the designs later.

lift out your vinyl designs with tweezers and place onto clean porcelain

use blow dryer to dry paint. less than 5 minutes! remove stickers with pointed tweezers or enamel pick.

mix dry china paint with armadillo oil to thin consistency. paint over area in thin layer until covered

Fire at 017 or 016. Done!

Directions for using Daphne's vinyl design stickers.

First Painting