

Quick guide to commissioning a painting



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“Commissioning a piece of art should feel exciting , not overwhelming.”

I've put together this simple 10-point checklist to streamline the process and make it less daunting. Whether you're a first-time buyer or a seasoned collector, these steps will help you feel confident about commissioning something truly personal.

1. **Clarify Your Intent** – Decide what the artwork should express and highlight which existing pieces from the artist's portfolio resonate with you.
2. **Select the Right Artist** – Choose someone whose style and vision align with your taste and the atmosphere you want to create.
3. **Have a Conversation** – Arrange a Zoom or face-to-face meeting so the artist can understand your personality, values, and preferences.
4. **Share Your Space** – Provide details of where the piece will hang: colours, décor style, dimensions, and photos of the room.
5. **Discuss Scale & Medium** – Agree the size, surface, and medium so the artwork feels proportionate and harmonious.
6. **Be Clear on Budget** – Open discussion on investment helps set the right expectations.
7. **Trust the Process** – Allow creative freedom, with written progress updates instead of images at each stage.
8. **Agree Timelines** – A typical commission takes 4–6 weeks, including creation, finishing, and drying time.
9. **Confirm in Writing** – A simple agreement covering scope, costs, payment structure, and delivery protects both sides.
10. **Plan the Presentation** – Consider framing, placement, and lighting to showcase the work at its best.

Ready to explore your own commission? Message me at Art Haus — I'd love to create something unique for your space andy@art-haus.co.uk