August Unwind

A gentle invitation to slow down, notice, and create.

Consider using a dedicated notebook throughout the month. A quiet space for your thoughts, reflections, sketches, or small creative moments. This isn't about completing every prompt perfectly, but about making room for peace in your day.

Try waking up a little earlier, or setting aside time in the evening. Even ten minutes is enough. The more you show up for yourself, the more natural it will begin to feel. Let this be a soft habit, not a hard task.

- \* Complete the daily prompts when you can.
- Wake a little earlier or wind down with them at night.
- No pressure. Just peaceful moments, your way.



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## **Notes from the August Unwind Series:**

- 1. Creativity doesn't need to be complicated.
- 2. Even the simplest act. A scribble, a photo, a single colour, can be deeply expressive and grounding.
- 3. Slowness is powerful.
- 4. Many of the prompts invite you to slow down, notice your environment, and reconnect with your body and breath. Things we often skip in busy life.
- 5. There's no right or wrong way to show up.
- 6. Whether you journal, sketch, paint, or simply pause and reflect, this practice is about being present.
- 7. You are allowed to take up space for yourself.
- 8. These moments are gentle reminders that your thoughts, your creativity, and your emotions are worth honouring.
- 9. Consistency creates quiet transformation.
- 10. A few minutes each day can lead to a habit of awareness, appreciation, and creative self-care that lasts beyond the month.





Calming Music

**2nd August** 



**3rd August** 

Enjoy a warm drink

## **1st August**

Mindful Walk

Go for a mindful walk and photograph something peaceful.

Focus on your breath and take your time. Let your eyes rest on anything that makes you feel calm.

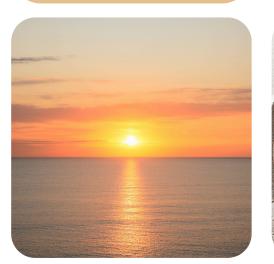
Close your eyes and listen to a calming song.

Journal how it makes you feel.

Sip a warm drink slowly, noticing the scent and warmth. Sketch your mug.

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Sunrise/Sunset

4th August

Try a short guided meditation or sit quietly. Afterwards, paint a colour that matches your mood.

Kindness

7<sup>th</sup> August

3 Wins

Write down 3 small wins from today. No matter how simple.

Line Drawing

8th August

Draw without lifting your pen for 3 minutes. Let it be imperfect and expressive.

This is about flow, not control.

Yoga

9th August

Stretch gently or do a

short yoga flow.

**10th August** 

Draw with your nondominant hand. Release expectations.

Let Go

Enjoy the freedom that comes with letting go.

Watch the sunrise or sunset and photograph/sletch/paint **5th August** 

**Quiet Moment** 

**6th August** 

Write a few lines of encouragement for yourself and decorate them.

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You are

stronger than you think

Positive Affirmations

## 11th August

Write a positive affirmation and decorate it with doodles or colour.

Place it somewhere you'll see it often.



Love

## 12th August

Draw your hand holding something you love. Physical or symbolic.

Think of what brings you comfort and joy.



Candles

### 13th August

Light a candle and reflect on a comforting memory. Sketch the flame if you like.

Notice how it flickers and glows.



Peaceful

## 14<sup>th</sup> August

Photograph a moment that feels peaceful to you today.

It could be light, colour, a quiet corner.



Digital Break

## 15th August

Take a digital break for an hour and list 3 things you noticed in that time.



Grounded

Peaceful Words

### **16th August**

Feel the ground under your feet. Breathe deeply and sketch something around you.

Ground yourself through drawing.

17th August

Paint or doodle a peaceful word and place it somewhere you'll see it often.

Let that word remind you to come back to calm.

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Declutter

## **18th August**

Declutter one small area and sketch the item that brings you joy.

Celebrate the simplicity of space and care.



Gratitude

## 19th August

Take 3 deep, slow breaths.

Write down one thing you're grateful for.

Let the gratitude expand in your body.



Flowers

## **20th August**

Pick a leaf or flower and observe it carefully before drawing it.

repeating a calming mantra in your mind.

Doodle freely while

Doodle

21st August

Let the repetition settle your thoughts.



Calm

## **22nd August**

Sketch a calming symbol (moon, waves, clouds) and add a few words of hope.





Music

Enjoy the meditative

motion.

### 23rd August 24th August

Sit near a window and Draw to the rhythm of journal 5 things you're relaxing music. Let your grateful for. hand move intuitively.

> Watch the world pass by as you write with softness.

Journal

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Simplicity Love Note

25th August

Sip tea/coffee slowly and notice every sensation. Then paint it using just one colour.

Let it be a study in simplicity.



26th August

Write a short love note to yourself.

Include a message you'd give a dear friend and offer it inward.



Calming Colours

**27th August** 

Paint using soft, calming colours, Focus on the motion, not the result.

Let the brush lead the way and breathe through it.



Quiet Sketch

28th August

Find a quiet spot outdoors. Close your eyes and listen deeply for 2 minutes.

Sketch or write what you heard, felt, or imagined. Let the environment guide your expression.

Collage

29<sup>th</sup> August

Using magazine clippings, painted paper, or scrap materials, create a tiny collage that reflects your current mood.

Focus on colours. textures, and feeling, not perfection.



Sketch

**30th August** 

Choose a favourite object from your home and sketch it from memory, then again from observation.

Notice the details you missed or remembered

Peace

31<sup>st</sup> August

Write down a quote or phrase that brings you peace. Turn it into a simple illustrated page with soft lines or gentle colours.

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