I snapped this photo while vacationing in Montana and was really impressed by how crisp and clear it turned out—it's one of my favorites from the trip.



Modified photo:

I experimented with several filters before ultimately choosing the Rough Pastels effect. I set the stroke to 2 and the stroke detail to 1, then selected 'sandstone' as the texture. I adjusted the scaling to 162% and the relief to 43 to achieve the desired texture. Next, I applied the Plastic Wrap filter, setting the highlight strength to 19,

detail to 4, and smoothness to 10. I then blended my second image—featuring a wall—using the Soft Light blend mode.

I selected these filters because they preserved the original colors while enhancing the visual impact. The Plastic Wrap filter, in particular, added a striking, glossy effect that made the image stand out.

