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## Anyone can faux finish!

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Welcome to How To Faux Finish!

Several years ago, I was looking for faux finish and painting resources on the Net. Painting interested me, and I wanted to experiment with some techniques in my own home.

Problem was, several searches netted me almost nothing. Lots of sites that *sounded* as if they might be informative, but once I entered the site I found they were only trying to sell me their how-to videos or classes.

I searched again recently. Things haven't changed.

Eventually, I took some classes and opened my own business as a painter and faux finisher. But I've always thought that the Net should have an informative, how to faux finish website for all the do-it-yourselfers out there like myself.

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So...here goes. The headline above is true...anyone **can** faux paint.

Of course, the very idea of do-it-yourself decorative painting frightens many people. After all, you have not a shred of artistic ability, right?

Not to worry. With some determination and a little patience (and the right information, that's where I come in), anyone can do it.

Faux finish painting is one of the hottest trends in home décor in recent years (and deservedly so!). A faux finish can do so much for a space...create texture and depth, add a splash of color or elegance to an otherwise boring room, or simply create a mood. It's affordable. And it's easy.

Only, the recent popularity of faux finishes has brought about something of a marketing boom that may be overwhelming. Specialty paints and glazes. Odd-looking tools and brushes. More brochures and literature than you could read in a lifetime.

This site is here to help guide you through the maze of products and techniques. You provide the will, and I will provide you with all the information you need, from surface preparation to cleanup.

Links along the left hand side of this page will lead you to step-by-step instructions for creating your favorite look. Also check out some of the other links offering helpful tips, decorating advice, and fresh faux painting ideas.

If you need information on painting and faux finishing, the chances are good that you will find it here.

You may want to start with the [How To Paint](#) page, which provides some quick tips on interior painting in general - from [interior painting tips](#) to advice on [using paint brushes and rollers](#).

Need help deciding on a paint color? Check out the [Choosing Colors](#) page. This page will give you a general overview of paint color selection and help you to achieve the *ambiance* and *look* you are attempting to create.

Curious about how to start your own [faux painting business](#)? Or are you interested in [working from home](#)? If so, check out the [Start A Business](#) page for all the information you'll need to get you started.

[Painting Tools](#) includes valuable information to help you navigate the maze of tools available to the do-it-yourself painter. Paint manufacturers have introduced countless "faux painting tools" over the past several years. Most are useful...but some are utterly pointless. Using the right tools will help make this a much more pleasant (and affordable) experience.

Before you begin painting your room or space, take a look at the [Surface Prep](#) link. This page will walk you through the process of preparing your surfaces for paint.

If you need to remove wallpaper or borders before you paint, the [Removing Wallpaper](#) page will guide you through the process step-by-step.

[Decorating with Paint](#) provides ideas and tips for using paint as an inexpensive, high impact way to decorate the various rooms of your home, from painting furniture to painting children's rooms.

The [Faux Finishes](#) page will provide information for paint techniques with

the aim of replicating a surface, such as the [leather faux finish](#) or [faux brick](#).

[Faux Techniques](#) addresses more general faux painting methods (such as [sponge painting](#), [color washing](#), or [painting stripes](#)). These techniques will allow more freedom of color choice.

Remember, with a little patience, you *can* create any of the faux finishes found here!



### [Faux Finish Blog](#)

The Faux Finish Blog keeps you up to date on any changes or updates to the how-to-faux-finish.com website.

### [How To Paint](#)

Information on how to paint, including instructions for painting interior walls and ceilings, and cleaning and storing paint and supplies.

### [Faux Finishes](#)

An introduction to creating different faux finishes such as faux leather, marble, denim, and many other replicated surfaces.

### [Faux Techniques](#)

An introduction to using faux techniques such as color washing, sponging, ragging, and others to create interesting, textured surfaces.

### [Surface Preparation](#)

Step-by-step instructions for preparing walls and surfaces for paint.

### [Choosing Paint Colors](#)

An introduction to choosing paint colors to enhance the mood, unity, and warmth of your space.

### [Decorating With Paint](#)

Tips, ideas, and helpful advice for decorating with paint.

### [Professional Painter](#)

Help with finding a professional painter or general contractor in your area. Free estimates.

### [Painting Tools](#)

An introduction to the selection and use of many of the painting tools and supplies on the market today.

### [Work From Home](#)

Information on building a legitimate, lucrative work from home business on the computer.

**[Faux Finishing Classes](#)**

Recommendations for faux finishing classes and how to start your own faux painting business.

**[How-To-Faux-Finish.com Art Store](#)**

A selection of affordable fine art to spruce up the interior of your home and set off those new faux finishes.

**[Start A Business](#)**

Start a business! Helpful information on starting a faux or interior painting business, as well as info for starting your own website.

**[Faux Finish Bookstore](#)**

Offering faux finishing and painting books for the do-it-yourself painter.

**[Frequently Asked Painting Questions](#)**

Answers to some frequently asked painting questions.

**[Resources](#)**

A collection of useful resources for the do-it-yourselfer, including helpful links for just about every facet of home decor and home improvement.

**[Home Gift Ideas](#)**

A resource for home related gift ideas for the home-inspired individual.

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