

Guide to Painting It's worth making the right choices



Colour

Making Painting Easier

We created this handy guide to help you through the painting process. From choosing the perfect colour, right through to mastering an easy clean-up, we've got it covered.

For more product and colour information, plus useful "how to" videos showing the tricks of the trade, check out www.dulux.com.au

If your job's worth doing, it's worth doing with us.





Choosing the perfect colour

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Choosing Colour

COLOUR CHOICE

Choosing the perfect colour is never easy but help is at hand. The best place to start is a Dulux® colour brochure followed by picking a selection of colour chips from the *Dulux* Colour Wall. The *Dulux* colour schemes are also a great help in choosing the perfect mix of colours for your home. It is worthwhile considering applying a texture to a feature wall to add some interest and individuality to your living space.

SAMPLE POTS

It is always important to remember that colours can appear to change in larger areas and under different lights. *Dulux* Colour Solutions® Sample Pots are a great way to help test your colour selection.

COLOUR CONSULTANTS

If you need a second opinion or simply want some help in choosing colours for your home then a *Dulux* Colour Consultant may be for you. They'll help you choose the perfect colour scheme at an affordable price. Call **13 25 25** or book online at **www.dulux.com.au**

Choosing Paint

DULUX® COLOUR

It is a little known fact that only *Dulux* paint guarantees *Dulux* colour. While it's a popular myth that you can tint any colour into any paint brand, it is just that, a myth, and the result is an inferior colour match.

SHEEN LEVELS

When choosing paint it is important to choose sheen levels carefully. The reason for this is the sheen level can dramatically change the look of your walls. For example, flat and low sheen paints hide surface imperfections better than gloss paints, which is the reason they are used on most walls and ceilings.



COLOURS LEFT TO RIGHT: DULUX HENNA RED. DULUX CHINA WHITE & DULUX ECRU

ONLY DULUX® PAINT GUARANTEES DULUX® COLOUR

Remember, tinting *Dulux* colours into any other brand of paint will result in an inferior colour match (including whites).



Interior



Which paint where

Walls

Doors, Window Frames, Skirting Boards





Dulux® Wash & Wear® Low Sheen

OR



Dulux® Once® Interior





Dulux® Aquanamel®

OR



Dulux® Super Enamel™



How long will it take?

As a rule it will take around six hours to coat a 4m x 5m room and two days to paint the entire room including drying time between coats. To save time use Dulux Once as it only requires one coat, not two, that's six hours saved per room.

Paint Tip

When choosing enamels consider using Dulux Aquanamel as it's a water-based enamel and therefore emits less odour compared to oil based enamels. It also dries faster!



Ceilings

Bathrooms, Kitchens & Laundries





Dulux® NeverMiss® One Coat Ceiling White

OR



Dulux® Once® Ceiling White







Dulux® Wash & Wear® Kitchen & Bathroom





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Feature Walls



The Dulux® Design range provides a designer collection of paints with extra texture or finish to ensure that your feature wall makes a statement These products include:

Dulux® Design Silk™

Dulux® Design Stone™

Dulux® Design Suede™

Dulux® Design Pearl™

Dulux[®] Design Metallic[™]

Dulux® Design Chalkboard™

Dulux® Design Rust™

Dulux® Design Limewash™













Exterior



TRIM: DULUX SLATE BLUE WAI

EXTERIOR

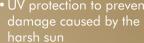
Which paint where

Walls



Dulux® Weathershield®





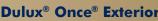
- Resists mould, dirt and
- Use on all exterior timber, masonry and metals
- sheen, semi gloss and gloss



Dulux

Weathershield





- Covers with a premium low sheen finish in one coat
- Outstanding durability
- Use to paint over a similar





use Dulux Once as it only requires one coat, not two.







- UV protection to prevent
- Self priming** on most



- Saves time and effort



Roof & Trim

Dulux[®] Roof & Trim™

- High performance with a
- Safe for the collection of
- UV protection
- Resists dirt and stains
- Recommended for use on all types of exterior roofs including galvanised iron, Colorbond®, Colorsteel®, concrete tiles, and trims such as plastic spouting, timber fascias, masonry and
- Available in Colorbond®





Doors & Window Frames

Exterior Feature Walls & Finishes





OR

Dulux® Weathershield®

- Guaranteed not to peel. flake or blister for as long
- from all weather conditions
- Resists mould, dirt and stains
- Easy to apply and washes out in water
- Use gloss or semi gloss



Generally it takes less than an hour to paint a door with one coat. However, it is important to factor in the time it takes to prepare the

Dulux® Aquanamel®

- Tough water-based enamel
- Fast drying, low odour and easy water wash up
- Hard wearing and chip resistant



For a full range of colours for each effect, pick up a Dulux Textures brochure



Dulux® Texture Tuscan™

• Soft washed look



Dulux® Texture Fine Cover™



Dulux® Texture Medium Cover™

Medium render finish



Dulux® Texture Full Cover™



All Textures products above can be used on brick, cement render, fibre cement and masonry surfaces.

How long will it take?

surface and drying time between the first and second coat.

Metal Surfaces



Dulux® Metalshield® is a range of premium products including primers, spraypaks and topcoats. These are available in a wide range of colours and finishes to beautify and protect all your metal surfaces.



Dulux[®] Metalshield[®] Premium

- Ultimate protection against corrosion
- Primer and Topcoat system
- Superior gloss and colour retention



Dulux® Metalshield® Epoxy Enamel

- The convenience of no primer required over new/unpainted steel or wrought iron
 - Excellent durability
- Epoxy Enamel bases allows you to tint colours from the *Dulux*Colour Wall



Dulux® Metalshield® Spraypak

- Quick and easy application
- Available in a range of popular Colorbond® colou
- Perfect for detailed and hard to reach metal surfaces

Preparation



What you will need for the best result

How much paint do I need?

Interior Paint Guide

This helps give you an approximate indication of the amount of paint you may need:

Room Type	Room Size	Product			
WALLS					TRIMS
		Dulux® Wash & Wear®	OR	Dulux® Once® Interior	Dulux® Aquanamel®
Small Room	3 x 3 m	4 litres		3 litres	1 litre
Medium Room	4.5 x 4.5 m	6 litres		4 litres	2 litres
Large Room	6 x 6 m	8 litres		5 litres	4 litres
CEILING					
		Dulux® NeverMiss® One Coat Ceiling White	OR	Dulux® Once® Ceiling White	
Small Room	3 x 3 m	1.5 litres		1.5 litres	
Medium Room	4.5 x 4.5 m	2 litres		2 litres	
Large Room	6 x 6 m	3 litres		3 litres	

If you want to work it out to your room dimensions, this is the equation to use:

- 1. Measure the height of a wall and the perimeter (the edge) of the room.
- Multiply the height by the perimeter to find the total area (the number of square metres.)
- **3.** Subtract from this the area of the doors and the windows (multiply the doors and windows height and width to find their area) to work out your final area requiring paint.
- **4.** Divide the total area by 16 (1 litre of paint covers approximately 16 square metres*) to work out the total litres of paint required for each coat.
- 5. Double this number for 2 coats to reach the final number of litres of paint required.

Alternatively, you can always visit **www.dulux.com.au** and enter your wall measurements into the paint calculator to determine the amount of paint needed.

*Always check the coverage rate on the back of the container or at **www.dulux.com.au** to confirm the quantity required.

Preparation

Interior & Exterior Surfaces

- It is essential that paint is applied to a clean surface. For the best result use Selleys® Sugar Soap and a scrubbing brush to remove dirt and grease from walls, rinsing with water, and then allow to dry.
- However, if the paint has peeled and bubbled it will need to be removed with a
 wire brush or scraper and then sanded. Wipe down before painting. For badly
 deteriorated paint, a paint stripper may be needed such as Selleys® Kwik Strip™
 Smart.
- For faster painting, remove door handles.
- Remember to cover up flooring, decking, paving and furniture with canvas drop sheets.
- For the best result, use a quality masking tape like 3M® Scotch-BlueTM Painter's Tape when masking up as cheap tapes rip easily and allow paint to bleed through the edges. Apply the masking tape along edges where you don't want any paint.
- When repainting doors, window frames or trim ensure that any gloss surfaces are sanded until matt before applying any coatings.
- Be sure to use an interior filler such as Selleys® Spakfilla® Interior for interior surface repairs. It is important to overfill any cracks with Spakfilla® before sanding back to a smooth surface and applying a primer undercoat. Using a sanding sponge around trim to shape uneven surfaces will also help to achieve the best results.



Preparation



Prep Coats

Prep coats are important as they protect and prepare the surface to be painted with a topcoat.

Primers on the other hand adhere to timber surfaces and contain stain inhibiting tannin blockers, while an undercoat is ideal for preparing plasterboard.

The easy alternative is Dulux® 1 Step® Acrylic Primer, Sealer & Undercoat. Being a three-in-one primer, sealer and undercoat it saves time and money.



Dulux[®] 1 Step[®] Acrylic Primer, Sealer & Undercoat

- Three-in-one prepcoat
- Primes, seals and undercoats in just one step
- Low odour and easy water wash up



Dulux[®] Acrylic Sealer Undercoat with Ultrasmooth™

- Use for interior plasterboard and over textured surfaces
- Seals and undercoats
- Smooth finish, excellent coverage
- Low odour and easy water wash up

Paint Tip

If repainting a surface that is in good condition, a prep coat is not required providing the surface is clean and not glossy. Glossy surfaces need to be sanded to a matt finish.

Application & Clean-Mp



Achieving the best results

Painting Techniques & Equipment

Equipment

What you will need for the best result:

Equipment	Use on		
Selleys® Spirit® All Purpose Roller	Walls, ceilings		
Selleys® Spirit® Brush	Corners, doors, trims, window frames		
Selleys® Spirit® Premium Edger	Corners, wall edges		
Selleys® Spirit® Premium Trim & Corner Pad	Corners, trims, wall edges		
Roller tray			
Painter's masking tape	Edges that you don't want paint on		
Small container	Use for smaller amounts of paint when painting with a brush		
Drop sheets			

Which roller nap length should I use?

The nap or pile refers to the length of the roller's fibres

- Use a 6mm short nap for smooth surfaces and high gloss paints
- Use a 12mm medium nap for ceilings, walls, low sheen and flat paints.
- Use a 20mm long nap for rough surfaces

Brush

The perfect grip for holding the brush is between the first finger and thumb, resting the fingertips on the top of the brush. Dip half the bristles into the paint and wipe the brush on the side of the can to remove excess. For the best result use short brush strokes when applying the paint.

Roller

After pouring the paint into the tray, dip the roller into the paint and then roll it back and forth on the shallow part of the tray to ensure even coverage. If you apply the paint too heavily it may splatter. Use an even pressure throughout application.

Paint Application Pads

Application pads are very handy when you have edges to paint around. Using a paint brush simply load the pad with paint and run it along the architrave, skirting or cornice.

Application

Before starting it is very important to mix your paint thoroughly with a blade stirrer.

Ceilings

The best place to start when painting an entire room is the ceiling. Paint with a roller, beginning at a point furthest away from the main window and working toward the light. Use a brush and edger to paint cornices and where the ceiling meets the wall.

Walls

Begin painting the walls at the edges and corners using a brush, edger or trim & corner pad. Once this is finished progress to a roller. Slowly roll the paint onto the surface in a series of close zig-zag strokes roughly a metre square. Then, re-roll the area with parallel strokes to even up the spread of paint. Begin the next area of the wall a metre down, overlapping the wet edge of the previously completed area. Continue these steps working a square metre at a time.

Trim

Paint the trim with a brush. Begin with the doors and the window frames then finish with the skirting boards. Ensure you use a quality, low tack masking tape along the wall and floors then use a trim cutter brush for a clean line.

Weatherboards

When it comes to painting weatherboards, work horizontally by applying paint all the way across each board. Be careful not to stop in the middle of a board as it can cause an unsightly "lapping" effect where the fully dried paint meets the new wet coat.

Paint Tip

As a general rule when painting, work from the top down so that you don't drip paint on areas that have already been painted.

Clean-Up

To begin the clean-up remove as much excess paint as possible by brushing or rolling out on newspaper. Be sure to wash brushes, rollers and other equipment in water.* It is vital to rinse equipment well and, if necessary, straighten brush bristles with an old comb. To save time, mess and water use a Rota Cota® Rolla Cleana to clean roller covers.

Leftover waste paint

If you have any leftover waste paint, dispose of it in an environmentally friendly way using Dulux® Envirosolutions® Waste Paint Hardener. It turns unwanted water-based paints into solid waste for easy household disposal. Simply pour the Dulux® Envirosolutions® Waste Paint Hardener into the remaining paint and stir until it solidifies. Leave for 2 hours with the lid off. Now you can easily remove the hardened paint from the can, wrap it in newspaper and dispose of it via your domestic waste.







Remember, steel cans are recyclable; check with your local council on the best way to recycle them.

*Note: Wash up Dulux® Super Enamel™ in turns



My Dulux Colours

Room:	
Colours Chosen:	
Paint Used:	





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Colours shown are as close as possible to actual paint colours. Please note that due to the limitations of the printing process, photographic and printed images may not represent the true colour. Always confirm your colour choice with Dulux Colour Cards, Dulux Colour Chips and Dulux Colour Solutions[®] Sample Pots.

Remember to always read the container before commencing your project

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