



Paint Passion

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Chalk Paint® Workshop details on our website!



Getting Started...Chalk Paint® and Soft Wax



No Priming, Sanding or Stripping!

Developed 25 years ago by renowned English decorative painter, Annie Sloan, Chalk Paint® is a unique decorative paint.

Chalk Paint®'s versatility and flexibility makes it an ideal choice for painting over furniture, decor items, floors and walls, both indoors and outdoors. This amazing paint can successfully adhere to numerous surfaces such as: *wood, metal, fabric, plastic, brick, concrete, terracotta, and even leather*. The best part: no need to prime, sand, or strip your pieces prior to applying Chalk Paint®! Just paint directly over your waxed and varnished furniture. Chalk Paint® can effortlessly be applied by anyone -- from painting novices to the seasoned finisher. Chalk Paint® is available in *32 beautiful colors*, which can be easily blended and combined to create custom looks.

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Applying Chalk Paint® by Annie Sloan:

- We recommend 2 coats of Annie Sloan Chalk Paint® for full coverage (allow Chalk Paint® to dry in between coats)
- We prefer using Annie Sloan's paint brushes to achieve clean, even coats
- *Tip:* Turn your Chalk Paint® can upside down for at least 30 minutes and give it a shake prior to opening (stir if needed)
 - Apply a coat of Clear Shellac (dries in a few minutes) onto open grains and wood knots if the wood is new and untreated or if there is bleed-through (a cloudy look produced from a previous finish)
 - Store leftover Chalk Paint® in a cool and dry location



Annie Sloan Soft Waxes

Annie Sloan Soft Wax is the perfect companion to Chalk Paint®. The Soft Wax in Clear acts as a finishing coat to properly seal and protect the Chalk Paint® underneath. Annie's Soft Wax in Clear gives the previously matte Chalk Paint® a lovely sheen.

Applying Annie Sloan Soft Waxes:

- When Chalk Paint® is fully dry, apply 1-2 coats (depending on how much action the piece will have) of Soft Wax in Clear
- Apply Soft Waxes using your choice of wax brush
- Massage the Soft Wax into the Chalk Paint® and remove excess wax using one-directional swipes with a "Better Than Cheesecloth"™ towel or a lint-free cloth (turning over to a clean side every few swipes)
- Run your fingertip over the surface to check for streaks and wipe more if needed.
- Wax will cure in 7-21 days, depending on the number of coats applied
- *Tip:* Less is more; a very thin layer of the wax is all you need
 - If you would like to apply the Dark Wax, always apply a layer of Clear Wax first, massage in, then immediately follow with a layer of the Dark Wax. Remove excess with paper towels.
 - Annie Sloan Soft Wax in Dark can be applied all over or just to recesses and carvings of your pieces to create an aged patina look.
 - "Better Than Cheesecloth"™ towels are reusable and easy to clean top-load in the washer!

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