

Dulux®

Worth doing, worth Dulux.

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 any more help, visit
www.dulux.com.au

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



Choosing the perfect colour

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.

DULUX MYCOLOUR®

The Dulux Mycolour® visualizer is also a fantastic aid in helping with colour choice. You can create colour schemes with confidence at www.dulux.com.au, all without leaving your lounge room.

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).

Dulux®

**OTHER PAINT
BRAND 1**

**WASH & WEAR 101®
ADVANCED™**

**OTHER PAINT
BRAND 2**



Interior



FEATURE WALL: DULUX BOATHOUSE WALLS: DULUX FRILLS CEILING: DULUX FAIR BIANCA

INTERIOR



Which paint where

Walls

FEATURE WALL: DULUX XENA
CEILING: DULUX WHISPER WHITE



Dulux Wash & Wear 101[®] Advanced™ Low Sheen

- Superior washability
- Actively repels stains
- Highly scuff proof
- Unbeatable colour range
- Eco Choice*

OR



Dulux Once[®] Interior

- Covers with a premium finish in one coat
- Use to paint over a similar colour
- Highly washable
- Saves time and effort



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.



*Wash & Wear[®] is low in VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds), which means less emissions and odour.

Doors, Window Frames, Skirting Boards

WALL: DULUX JUNGLE MOSS
TRIMS: DULUX WHISPER WHITE



Dulux Aquanamel[®]

- Tough water-based enamel
- Fast drying, low odour and easy water wash up
- Non-yellowing
- Available in high gloss or semi gloss

OR



Dulux Super Enamel™

- Tough, traditional enamel
- Oil-based
- Available in high gloss or semi gloss

Paint Tip

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



Ceilings

WALLS: DULUX CORN KERNEL CEILING: DULUX CEILING WHITE



Dulux NeverMiss® One Coat Ceiling White

- Applies pink and dries white for easy application
- Flat finish
- One coat
- Use on white ceilings that require repainting

OR



Dulux Once® Ceiling White

- Extra hiding power
- Flat finish
- One coat
- Use on uncoated ceilings*

* Note: a prep coat is required on new, uncoated ceilings prior to painting with Dulux Once® Ceiling White.



How long will it take?

As a guide it should take roughly one hour to coat a 4m x 5m ceiling with one coat.

Bathrooms, Kitchens & Laundries

WALLS AND CEILING: DULUX NATURAL WHITE
Courtesy of Metticon



Dulux Wash & Wear® Kitchen & Bathroom

- Moisture resistant
- Superior washability
- Mould and bacteria resistant
- Highly scuff proof
- Available in low sheen and gloss

OR



MouldShield® 7 Year
Guarantee against
mould growth.



Dulux Wash & Wear 101® Advanced™ Semi Gloss

- Moisture resistant
- Superior washability
- Actively repels stains
- Highly scuff proof

Paint Tip

Use Dulux Wash & Wear® Kitchen & Bathroom on both walls and ceilings.



Feature Walls

FEATURE WALL: DULUX DESIGN STONE BERRYFIELD



There is a whole range of paints with added texture or finish to make your feature wall even more of a feature. They include:



Dulux Design Silk™

- Silky smooth finish
- Low sheen
- Designer colours



Dulux Design Stone™

- Brings extra depth and dimension to your wall
- Provides a textured matt finish
- Earth inspired colours



Dulux Design Pearl™

- Creates a beautiful, pearly satin appearance
- Semi gloss finish

Feature Walls

FEATURE WALL: DULUX DESIGN METALLIC PEWTER ILLUSION



Dulux Design Suede™

- Echoes the look of suede
- Designer matt finish
- Wide colour range



Dulux Design Metallic™

- Provides the appearance of precious metals
- Semi gloss finish
- Contemporary colours

Paint Tip

Apply the second coat of Design Stone™, Design Suede™ and Design Metallic™ with a 100mm or wider brush in a random criss-cross action, overlapping brush strokes and cutting in as you go.



Garage Floors



FLOOR: DULUX GARAGE FLOOR DECORATIVE SLATE

Dulux Garage Floor Kit™



- High performance garage floor coating
- Hard wearing & stain resistant
- Resists hot tyre pick up
- Available in Slate and Sand
- Low odour

Dulux Garage Floor Decorative Kit™



- Optional extra
- The ultimate decorative finish
- Additional durability
- Use in conjunction with Garage Floor Kit, Slate and Sand
- Non slip finish



How long will it take?

Around 6-8 hours drying time plus application and concrete drying time after etching.

Exterior



TRIM: DULUX SLATE BLUE WALLS: DULUX PALE PINK

EXTERIOR

Which paint where

Walls



We guarantee Weathershield® won't blister, flake or peel for as long as you live in your house.*



TRIM: DULUX ANTIQUE WHITE USA WALLS: DULUX PISTACHIO TANG



Dulux Weathershield®

- Long life, superior protection from all weather conditions
- Self priming on all surfaces – no prep coat required
- Resistance to mould, dirt, stains and rust
- Available in gloss, semi gloss, low sheen or matt

OR



Dulux Once® Exterior

- Covers with a premium low sheen finish in one coat
- Saves time and effort
- Outstanding durability
- Use to paint over a similar colour



How long will it take?

As a rule it will take around one to two weeks to paint an entire house including drying time. To save time you could use Dulux Once® as it only requires one coat, not two.

*Refer to pack for more details.

Doors & Window Frames



DOOR: DULUX SHARP YELLOW TRIM: DULUX WHITE ON WHITE



Dulux Weathershield®

- Long life, superior protection from all weather conditions
- Self priming on all surfaces – no prep coat required
- Resistance to mould, dirt, stains and rust
- Use gloss or semi gloss

OR



Dulux Weathershield® Roof & Trim

- High performance paint
- Semi gloss
- Available in pre-packaged Colorbond® colours



How long will it take?

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 surface and drying time between the first and second coat.

Roof & Trim



ROOF: COLORBOND DEEP OCEAN

Dulux Weathershield® Roof & Trim is designed for these areas. You can use Dulux QuitRust® for your trims only, and safeguard against rust.



Dulux Weathershield® Roof & Trim

- Use on roofs, gutters, downpipes and trim
- Formulated for the safe collection of water
- Semi gloss
- Available in pre-packaged Colorbond® colours

OR



Dulux QuitRust®

- Restore, protect and decorate metal surfaces
- Ideal for metal trim, fences, gates and furniture
- Use on metal in seaside areas
- Water-based, quick drying, superior metal protection

Exterior Feature Walls & Finishes



WALL: DULUX TUSCAN BLUE TUSCANY



Tuscan™

- Soft washed look
- Use on bricks and masonry



Fine Texture™

- Sandy texture finish
- Use on bricks and masonry



Medium Texture™

- Medium render finish
- Use on bricks, concrete, fibre cement and flat masonry



Full Cover Texture™

- Render finish
- Use on bricks, concrete, fibre cement and flat masonry

For a range of colours for each effect, pick up a Dulux Exterior brochure in-store.

Fences

FENCE: DULUX SPRAYFAST NATIVE PINE



OR



Dulux Sprayfast®

- Use on timber fences, rough sawn timber and cement sheet
- Six popular colours
- Saves time and effort compared to painting with a brush
- Low sheen

Weathershield® Garden Shades

- Use on dressed and rough sawn timber, bricks, masonry and fibre cement sheeting
- Natural colours
- Available in low sheen and gloss

Paint Tip

Although it generally takes 2 hours to coat a 5m fence with a brush, you can cut this time down to 20 minutes using Dulux Sprayfast®.



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
		Wash & Wear/ MouldShield	OR	Once Interior	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					
		Never Miss One Coat Ceiling White	OR	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.
2. 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 Selley's® 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 Selley's® 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-Blue™ 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 the gloss surfaces of oil-based enamels are sanded until matt before applying Dulux 1 Step™ Acrylic Primer Sealer & Undercoat. Water-based paints or enamels do not need to be sanded provided they are in sound condition and a water-based enamel topcoat is being applied. The best way to test if the enamel is oil or water-based is by rubbing the enamel with a cloth dipped in methylated spirits. Water-based enamels will stain the cloth, oil-based enamel won't.
- Be sure to use an interior filler such as Selley's® 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 sealer, primer and undercoat it saves time and money.



Dulux 1 Step™ Water Based Primer Sealer Undercoat

- Three-in-one prepcoat
- Primes, seals and undercoats in one step
- Water wash up



Dulux Acrylic Sealer Undercoat

- Use for interior plasterboard and masonry
- Seals and undercoats
- 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.



Application & Clean-Up



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 corner.

Application

Before starting it is very important to mix your paint thoroughly with a flat 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 corner 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.



Application

Walls (continued)

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 meter 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 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.



Dulux Garage Floor Kit Application Guide

Here is a step by step guide to transform your Garage floor into another room in your house.

Standard Garage Floor Kit

Step 1



Prepare the surface

Step 2



Mix the paint

Step 3



Apply the paint

Decorative Garage Floor Kit

Step 4



Apply the flakes

Step 5



Mix the final decorative coat

Step 6



Apply the final decorative coat

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 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 turps.



My Dulux Colours

Room: _____

Colours Chosen: _____

Paint Used: _____



Dulux Customer Service: 13 25 25
www.dulux.com.au

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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