

DOORS, WINDOWS AND TRIM PROJECT

Refreshing the doors, windows and trim in a room can give it a new lease on life. In high traffic areas especially, a repaint can really transform the room, giving it a clean, crisp finish. Enamel paint is the best choice, as it breathes new life into old doors, windows and trim by giving it a durable, long lasting finish.

Choosing the Gloss Level

When deciding on what paint to use, we recommend **Dulux Aquanamel**. Not only does it have smooth flow technology for a premium finish, it also is water based for an easier clean up versus other oil based enamel paints. When you are choosing this paint it is important to consider the type of finish you want:

Gloss: Achieves a highly reflective finish that gives a much more intense look. It is recommended for high traffic areas as it is very durable and easy to wash. Typically a more traditional finish.

Semi-Gloss: Provides a glossy finish, but not as brilliant as a Gloss. It offers good stain resistance, is durable and is easy to wash. Semi-Gloss is more popular in contemporary styled rooms and homes.



Your Shopping List

- Dulux Aquanamel** in your chosen sheen and colour
- Undercoat/stain blocker (if required)
- High quality synthetic sash brush (38 - 75mm)
- Short nap (5mm) synthetic roller
- Paint pot
- Drop sheets
- Painter's tape

Time to paint!

Windows and Trim

1. Begin by taping around the window or trim with painter's tape.
2. For technique, start by cutting in at the top and bottom of the edges of the trim, then finish off the middle.
3. Apply paint to the trim using short, horizontal brush strokes. Repeat the motion for about a metre.
4. Smooth over the painted section with long brush strokes. Ensure not to add more paint to the brush when you do this. Don't brush it too much – a few strokes should be enough to smooth the surface.
5. Repeat this process until complete. Allow to dry, then give the surface a light sand and repeat for a second coat.

6. Lastly, stand back and admire your handy work. Well done!

Note: With windows it is recommended to paint the inner window sections first then move to the outer trim. And remember, always keep windows open as they dry and ensure to move them constantly to prevent them from sticking together.

Doors

1. Remove the door from the frame and lay it on a flat surface. Remove all the hardware from the door, or tape it off with painter's tape.
2. Begin by cutting in the edges with an even finish. Apply the paint in short strokes, then even the finish out with a few long strokes.
3. Roll or brush on the inside of the door, with smooth vertical strokes.
4. Once a section is applied, using a 75mm brush, lightly stroke down the door to create a smoothed finish. Don't brush it too much – a few strokes should be enough to smooth the surface.
5. Allow to dry, and lightly sand any imperfections, then apply a second coat.
6. Lastly, stand back and admire your handy work. Well done!

Note: For moulded doors, always paint the inner recess and moulding first, then move to the outside to finish. Remember to remove the painter's tape while the door is still wet to ensure a clean line and easy removal.

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