



DIY PAINT



Technique

Chalkboard

Sand the area to smooth any major lumps before beginning to paint.

Keep your blackboard traditional with Black Velvet, or get creative! Any color of DIY paint can be used to create a chalkboard.

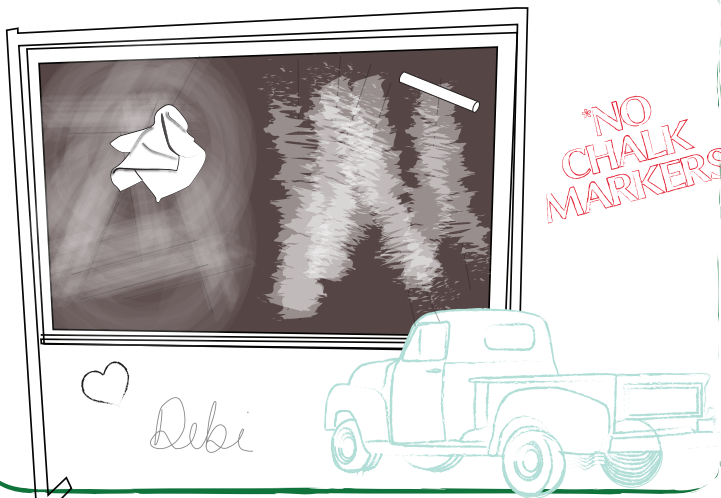
Use a foam paint roller to apply the paint, instead of a brush.

Apply 3 layers of paint, allowing each coat to dry completely.

Use a fine grit sand paper to smooth out any unwanted lumps or texture.

Lastly, using the length of a piece of chalk, shade the entire area evenly and erase with a soft lint-free cloth.

For best chalk writing, sharpen your chalk with a fat pencil or make-up sharpener.



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Dark finish over light paint

It can be tricky to apply a dark finish over a light colored paint. Make sure your color doesn't get browned-out by following these simple steps: A little goes a long way!

Dark Wax:

Instead of applying the dark wax directly onto your piece, use clear wax first as a buffer and diluting medium. While it's wet...

Begin with a miniscule amount of dark wax on the tips of a wax brush. Apply in circular motions, spreading as far as you can, and working into details.

Use a rag to spread and remove any excess wax, & buff after 5-24 hrs for best results.

Dark Patina:

Have a wet rag & extra clean dry rag on standby as you begin with dark patina.

Squirt some DIY Dark & Decrepit patina onto a lint-free cloth, and begin to rub it over your piece, working in small areas.

Immediately wipe away excess patina from the paint with your wet rag, then mop remaining moisture with the dry rag.

Finish with a top coat of clear patina for maximum durability.

