

PRODUCT & APPLICATION GUIDE

TRUE MATT, TRUE EGGSHELL *and* SOFT GLOSS  
*for* WOOD, METAL AND FLOORS

How to get the best finished result with our natural-based paint



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PAINT

## True Matt, True Eggshell *and* Soft Gloss *for* Wood, Metal and Floors

### *About Our Paint*

A durable water-based paint for interior and exterior use. Available in three finishes, all perfect for skirting boards, interior doors, wooden furniture, metal radiators and other interior or exterior wood or metal surface. We recommend Eggshell or Soft Gloss for use on high maintenance areas such as kitchen cabinets, exterior doors, stairs and floors.

#### PREPARATION

Before you start painting, make sure the surface is clean, dry and free from dirt, grease, oil and mildew. Remove any loose, flaking or peeling material. Fill in any flaws using water based fillers and sand to a smooth finish.

Take extra care if using caulk as a filler as incorrect preparation or choice of product can result in cracking. Best results are achieved with acrylic/water based flexible filler, using the minimum necessary. You will need to use a water-based primer/undercoat before applying True Matt, True Eggshell or Soft Gloss for Wood, Metal & Floors.

#### PRIMING

The surface needs to have previously been painted in 1-2 coats of a high quality, water-based matt primer/undercoat. Do not use solvent based products.

Once the primer is completely dry, lightly sand the surface to be painted with 120 grit sandpaper. Wipe down or vacuum the surfaces afterwards to remove any dust before starting to paint.

#### PAINTING

Before you begin painting, please check the colour is correct. Stir well before use and apply two thin, even coats with a brush, roller or spray equipment.

For best results, we recommend applying with a new, high quality brush or airless spray equipment. The paint may be thinned if necessary with up to 10% water.

Please make sure you allow the minimum recommended drying time between coats to ensure the paint hardens fully. Only paint when the temperature is above 8°C or below 30°C.

We recommend lightly sanding the surface with 180 grit sandpaper between coats. Make sure you wipe down or vacuum the surfaces afterwards to remove any dust before applying the next coat.

#### KEY FACTS

Touch dry time: 1 - 2 hours

Re-coat time: 8 - 10 hours

Fully cured in 5-7 days

Sheen level: True Matt 5-8%, True Eggshell 20-25%, Soft Gloss 60-70% (the darker colours being glossier)

Low VOC: 6gm per litre

Emissions: A+

Abrasion resistance: wipeable and washable (very durable)

#### USES

True Matt, True Eggshell and Soft Gloss for Wood, Metal & Floors can be used on all solid interior wood, including flooring. It can also be used on exterior wood and any interior or exterior metal surface.

#### COVERAGE

10-12m<sup>2</sup> per litre per coat. Two coats are required, although three may be required for darker colours or over significantly lighter/different primer colours.

Please note coverage is dependent on absorbency of the substrate and application technique.

#### DRYING TIMES

Touch dry in 1-2 hours.

Re-coat after 8-10 hours.

Fully cured and hardened in 5-7 days.

High humidity and lower temperatures extend drying times. Ensure good ventilation while the paint is drying.

#### THINNER

The paint may be thinned if necessary with up to 10% water.

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### MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS

Clean painted surfaces gently with warm, mild soapy water. Use a soft sponge or cloth without hard edges.

Weathered or damaged paint should be cleaned as above, lightly sanded and repainted with 1-2 coats of fresh paint – preferably from the same batch.

Paint colours change naturally over time from exposure to light, so we cannot guarantee perfect matches when touching in.

### CLEANING & STORAGE

Remove excess paint from brushes and rollers and clean them immediately in warm, soapy water. Rinse in clean water then let them dry naturally.

Decant any leftover paint into smaller containers and label them with the type, colour, date and room/surface. Store any unused paint in a cool, dry, frost-free place, away from direct sunlight and sources of heat or ignition. Make sure the tin lid is replaced securely after use.

When unopened and stored in these conditions, this paint can be kept and used for up to two years.

### SIZES

True Matt and Soft Gloss are available in 1 litre and 2.5 litre tins. True Eggshell is available in 1 litre, 2.5 litre and 5 litre tins.

### COLOUR RANGE

Available in all colours.

### INGREDIENTS & SOURCES

Filtered Water—*Britain*

Water-based emulsion resin from a carbon neutral supplier who is iso-14001 Responsible Care Approved and has earned the Energy Star Award for sustained excellence five years in a row

Pigments—*including Titanium Dioxide – Britain*

Pure Minerals—*Britain, no processing required*  
Wax

PH modifier—*0.001% – a natural ingredient to counteract variations found in other raw materials and to maintain the stability of the paint – Britain*

Cellulose Based Thickener—*0.5%*

In-can Protector—*0.2%*

Flash rust inhibitor—*0.01%*

Contains no heavy metals and uses non-hazardous natural mineral materials.

### DISPOSAL & RECYCLING

Do not empty this paint into drains or watercourses. Dispose of excess or waste paint via a licensed waste handling operator or through [www.communityrepaint.org.uk](http://www.communityrepaint.org.uk).

Our metal containers are 100% recyclable. Please check with your local authority for details of how to recycle them safely.

### HEALTH & SAFETY

Make sure the room you are painting is well-ventilated while you are working and when the paint is drying. Please avoid contact with your skin and eyes. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with cold water and seek medical advice. After contact with skin wash immediately with plenty of soap and water.

Keep out of reach of children.

For further information, please visit our website or send us an email.