

10 Tips For Painting Like A Pro

So you want a professional paint job without the burden of hiring professionals? Follow these 10 pro tips and your next paint job will come out perfect!

Recommended Materials:

Purdy® Roller Cover -Or- Purdy® Paint Brush



Valspar® Bonding Primer



Scotch® Blue Painter's Tape



Ace® Heavy Duty Drop Cloth

Top Tips For Painting Like A Pro:

Wait For Dry Weather #1 Humidity means drips and slow drying, avoid painting on rainy days.

Do A Thorough Visual Inspection #2

Lightly sand or scrape cracked, flaking or peeling areas and thoroughly rinse before applying new primer and paint. Clean greasy spots and wipe-down the walls with a damp cloth so that your surface is clean and dust free.

Use High-Quality Materials #3

Good brushes and roller covers give are a must so that you don't waste time and paint on re-application, high-end painter's tape is best when it comes to sealing out drips and blurs.

Know Your Nap #Ц

The more texture your walls have, the thicker the nap you'll want on your roller cover so that it can reach into crevices and give complete coverage.

Protect What You Don't Want To Paint

#5 Painter's tape and drop cloths are a must, small plastic sandwich bags can be secured with tape and are an easy way to protect doorknobs.

Remove Light Switch & Outlet Covers #6

Do not skip this important step. Once covers are removed protect with painter's tape.

Use Primer

#7 Paint-and-primer is fine if you already have a clean, smooth surface, but if there are any issues with the wall go with a separate primer.

Box Your Paint #8

Instead of using one gallon at a time, combine into one container and mix it thoroughly. This will keep your color consistent from beginning to end.

Let Your Roller Do The Work #9

Premium paints flow on easily, and if you have already chosen a good roller cover there's no need to use much pressure.

Paint From Top To Bottom - Paint Over Your Mistakes! #10 After you've cut in your edges at the ceiling and baseboard using a brush, use your roller to apply paint from the ceiling downward.