



Mindful makeover

Breathing new life into an old wooden cabinet

YOU WILL NEED

- Wooden cabinet
- Sandpaper, medium grade
- Resene Lustacryl Semi-Gloss Waterborne Enamel in a shade of your choice; we used Resene Half Thorndon Cream
- A rough old paintbrush
- Screwdriver



Step 1 Find an old cabinet in a shape you like. It may look rumpy, but is it made with solid wood with smoothly shutting doors?

Step 2 Give the cabinet a light sand all over, before wiping down with a soft, slightly damp cloth. Imperfections in the surface will add to the distressed effect.

Step 3 Use an appropriate screwdriver to remove any door handles or knobs.

Step 4 Use an old paintbrush to apply a thin coat of Resene Lustacryl paint over the entire surface. Follow the grain of the wood and resist the temptation to overpaint.

Step 5 Once dry, reattach handles.

Expert tip: If you apply paint too thickly or want more of a distressed look, allow paint to dry and sand off some of the coating to get a washed or aged effect.

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