

★★★ Difficulty level ★ easy ★★ moderate ★★★ challenging

Ways with wood
with Mark Rayner – 49

You will need:

- Clamp
- Clean lint-free cloths
- Latex gloves
- Methylated spirits
- Old wood veneer chest of drawers (ours was oak veneer)
- Paintbrush
- Pliers or screwdriver for removing drawer handles
- PVA glue
- Resene Danska Teak Oil
- Sanding block
- Sandpaper (medium and fine grade)
- Turpentine for washing brush
- Two small pieces of plywood

It's easy to transform an old wood veneer chest of drawers into a thing of beauty using Resene Danska Teak Oil.



Step one

Remove drawers from the unit and apply a small amount of PVA glue under any parts of the veneer which may have lifted. Take care not to get any glue on the front surface of the veneer.



Step two

Clamp between two small pieces of plywood and allow the glue to dry.



Step three

Remove the handles from each of the drawers and put to one side.



Step four

Lightly sand the veneer with a medium grade sandpaper, rubbing in the direction of the grain. Wipe off any sanding dust with a clean cloth and then lightly sand the veneer with a fine grade sandpaper.



Step five

Lightly wipe off any sanding dust with a clean cloth dampened with methylated spirits. Allow to dry.



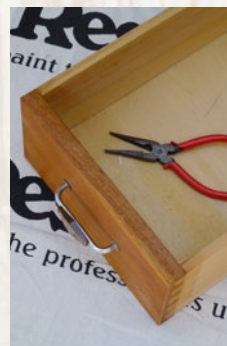
Step six

Apply one coat of Resene Danska Teak Oil to the chest of drawers, brushing in the direction of the grain.



Step seven

Wearing latex gloves, wipe off any excess Resene Danska Teak Oil and allow to dry for 24 hours. If necessary repeat steps six and seven.



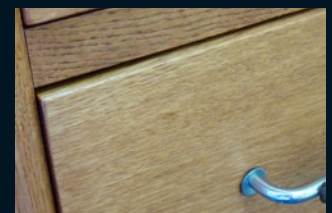
Step eight

Reattach the drawer handles and slide drawers back into the unit.



To get the look:

Mark painted the background wall with Resene SpaceCote Flat tinted to Resene Pale Prim.



Other ideas:

For a paler whitewash finish try Resene Colorwood Whitewash.

For more ideas and inspiration visit your local Resene ColorShop or the Resene website.