

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

Weekend DIY with Mark Rayner – 22

You will need:

- Clean cloth
- Mirror with unpainted wooden or MDF frame
- Paintbrushes (including an artists' brush)
- Resene Aquaclear (satin)
- Resene Quick Dry
- Resene testpots of Resene Bittersweet and Resene Lexington
- Sandpaper
- Screw eyes and string to hang



Step one

Remove the mirror from the frame and lightly sand the frame. Wipe off any sanding dust with a clean cloth.



Step two

Apply one coat of Resene Quick Dry to the frame and allow two hours to dry.



Step three

Apply one coat of Resene Lexington to the frame and allow two hours to dry.



Step four

Apply a second coat of Resene Lexington to the frame and allow two hours to dry.



Step five

Paint vertical stripes on the frame using Resene Bittersweet, applying the paint thinly, allowing some of the base colour to show through. Once dry, paint narrower stripes of Resene Bittersweet, applying the paint slightly thicker. Allow two hours to dry.



Step six

Paint a few more vertical stripes using Resene Lexington, as shown, and allow two hours to dry.



Step seven

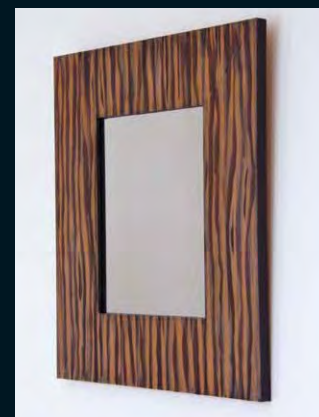
Apply two coats of Resene Aquaclear to the frame, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



Step eight

Replace the mirror into the frame and attach two small screw eyes and a length of string to hang.

Transform a humble MDF framed mirror into a striking feature with a little bit of help from Resene.



Get the look:

Mark painted the background wall with Resene SpaceCote Flat tinted to Resene White Thunder.



Other ideas:

Create a paler wood grain effect by using a basecoat of Resene Hot Toddy and painting the stripes with Resene Sandbar.

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