



TUTORIAL

Painting &
Staining
Unfinished
Furniture



LET'S BEGIN

Supplies:

- ✓ Sponge or paint brush
- ✓ Drop cloth
- ✓ Sandpaper at 150 grit or an Electric Sander
- ✓ Paint and painter's tape
- ✓ Stain
- ✓ Sealer



Step 1: Smooth your unfinished piece from top to bottom with an Electric Sander or sandpaper of 150 grit. Our unfinished furniture has been sanded at our shop so you may not need too much sanding.

SAND



TIP: Make sure you sand the furniture evenly. If you don't maintain an even pressure, the stain may not look exactly the same everywhere.

Step 2:

PAINT

First, you need to decide what part of the furniture you want painted and what part you want stained.

After you've made that identification, begin painting, avoiding direct sunlight or intense heat!



TIP: If you're using a brush, be mindful of streaks created by the bristles.

Section off the part you don't want painted with painter's tape, and remove immediately after painting.

Let your furniture dry — according to the paint's directions — and paint a second coat, if necessary.

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Step 3:

SAND...again!

Polish your piece with the sand paper everywhere you painted; the last coat of paint may have made your furniture's surface rough again. Sanding is an important step to ensuring your furniture absorbs the material properly.





 TIP: If you want a distressed look, sand your edges through to the unfinished wood.

Step 4:

STAIN

Stain the part of your unfinished furniture where you didn't paint. The stain doesn't make the surface of your furniture rough like paint or sealer does. Follow the stain's directions for the right amount of drying time



TIP: If you want a two-tone look, stain all over the painted section. The stain may tint the painted section slightly, giving your furniture a glazed, two-tone style.

Step 5:

SEAL

Apply a healthy coat of sealer to your furniture, brushing in steady motions. The sealer, if containing polyurethanes, will make the surface of your piece smooth and water-resistant. This final step will finish the look of your handcrafted furniture, making every surface smooth and flawless.



TIP: For those more adventurous, we recommend using lacquer after the sealer for additional water-resistance. Don't trade the lacquer for the sealer, however; without sealer, lacquer may make your furniture's surface rough again.

Step 6:

ENJOY

Now that the hard work is complete, you can sit back and relax, cherishing your newest addition to your home.



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