

Home & Garden

Before painting, it's important to purchase two good brushes and rollers and a sturdy paint pan

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with nylon bearings, a comfortable handle and a threaded end for attaching extensions when painting walls and ceilings.

Quality covers perform well and will not leave fibers behind.

Choosing the right brush

A quality brush has a shaped hardwood handle and sturdy reinforced ferrule made of non-corrosive metal.

Multiple space plugs separate the bristles. The quality brush also has flagged (split) bristles and a chiseled

end for precise edging. The cheaper brush will have a bunt end,

unflagged bristles and a cardboard spacer that will soften when it gets

wet.

A three-inch straight-edged brush is a good choice for cutting in paint lines at ceilings and in corners. For painting woodwork, a two-inch trim brush works well. Choose brushes with chiseled tips for painting in corners. A tapered sash brush may help when painting corners or window sashes.

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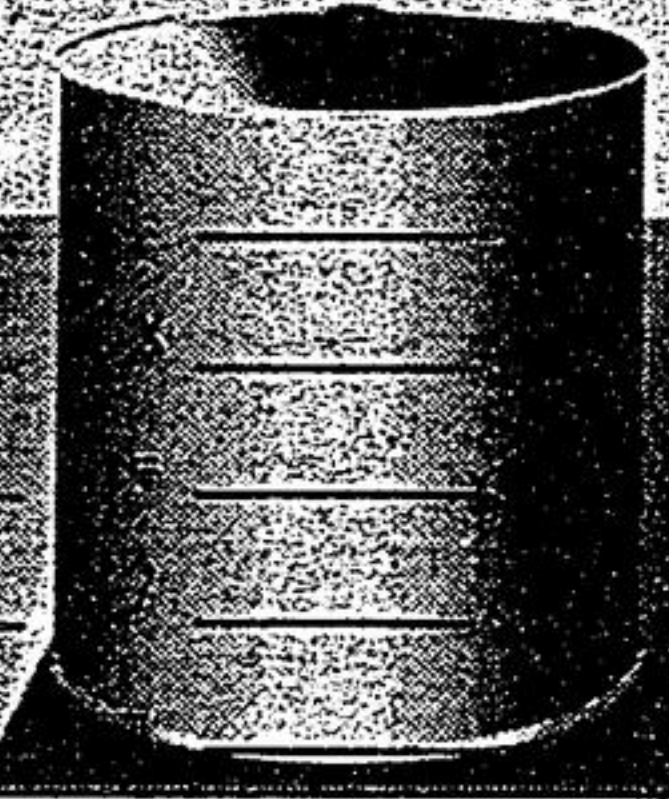
1-2-3 book from the Home Depot.

It's important to select the right paint for the right job. The following chart helps you do that. (The chart was provided by Home Improvement 1-2-3 by the Home Depot).

Room	Plaster Walls and Ceilings	Wallboard Walls and Ceilings	Wood Trim and ceilings	Metal Trim
Living Room Dining Room Bedroom	Use oil-based primer, then flat latex for final coat	Use latex primer if unpainted, or oil-based primer if painted; finish with flat latex coat	Use varnish or oil-based primer; finish with oil-based final coat	Metal primer or oil-based primer, finish with a latex coat
Kitchen Bathroom	Use oil-based primer, then latex for final coat			Use metal primer, or oil-based finish coat
Concrete Floors and Walls				
Basement Garage	Use sealer or exterior primer, then finish with latex paint		Varnish or oil-based primer, then oil-based final coat	Metal primer, then latex final coat

Calculating Paint Coverage

1. Length of wall or ceiling _____
2. Height of wall or ceiling _____
3. Surface area _____
4. Coverage per gallon of chosen paint _____
5. Gallons of paint needed _____



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