

Rustic Furniture Repaint - The Easy Way

Project Info:

Difficulty: Beginner

Time: ~2 hours (+ drying)

Cost: Under \$25

Tools & Materials:

- Sandpaper (120 & 220 grit)
- Damp rag
- Primer (spray or brush-on)
- Paint (chalk, latex, or spray)
- Top coat/sealer (optional)
- Drop cloth or tarp
- Painter's tape (optional)
- Old piece of furniture (dresser, table, nightstand, etc.)

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Clean + Sand:

Wipe down the piece to remove dust and oils. Lightly sand all surfaces with 120 grit. Use 220 grit for smoothing.

2. Wipe It Down:

Use a damp cloth to clean off sanding dust. Let it dry fully before painting.

3. Prime the Surface:

Apply primer to help paint stick and block stains. Spray primer is great for detailed areas.

4. Paint It:

Apply 1-2 coats of paint. Let each coat dry completely. Chalk paint gives a rustic matte look.

5. Seal (Optional):

Use a clear coat (polycrylic or wax) for added protection, especially for high-use surfaces.

Shed Tip:

Old knobs or handles can be repainted or swapped for a new look. Try matte black or vintage brass for style points.