



DIY Painting Guide

Do It Yourself –
Without Doing It Twice




INTRODUCTION

**Painting looks easy.
And sometimes it is.**

But most DIY paint jobs fail not because of effort but because of poor preparation, wrong products, or lack of understanding.

This guide shows you:

- ◆ When DIY makes sense
 - ◆ When it doesn't
 - ◆ How to avoid costly mistakes
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THE BIGGEST DIY MISTAKES

**Most DIY failures
come from:**

- Poor surface preparation
- Wrong paint selection
- Rushing the job
- Painting in the wrong conditions
- Skipping steps to “save time”

**Paint is only as good as
what's underneath it.**



WHAT ACTUALLY MATTERS

Before you open a paint tin:

- Is the **surface** clean and sound?
 - Has it been **sanded** properly?
 - Is moisture present?
 - Is the paint suitable for the **surface**?
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80% of a good job happens
before the brush touches the wall.



A SIMPLE DIY PROCESS

- 1** Clean and repair
- 2** Sand properly
- 3** Prime where required
- 4** Use the correct paint
- 5** Apply two proper coats
- 6** Allow correct drying time

Skip a step → redo the job later.



WHEN DIY IS NOT A GOOD IDEA

Avoid DIY if:

- ✓ You're painting exteriors
- ✓ There's peeling or moisture
- ✓ The area is high or unsafe
- ✓ You want a premium finish
- ✓ Time matters

DIY can cost more
when it goes wrong.



HOW PROFESSIONALS DO IT DIFFERENTLY

Professionals:

- ✓ Assess surfaces **properly**
- ✓ Use correct **systems**
- ✓ Understand **coatings**
- ✓ Work **efficiently**
- ✓ Guarantee **results**

It's not about speed
it's about method.



HOW PAINTBUSTERS AUSTRALIA CAN HELP

If you want to DIY but want
peace of mind first
PaintBusters Australia offers:

- ✓ **Pre-paint advice**
- ✓ **Product selection guidance**
- ✓ **Surface assessments**
- ✓ **Honest advice** before you spend money

👉 **Book a paid consultation** before you start
it can save you thousands.



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