



**VARATHANE®
WHITEWASH**

DESCRIPTION AND USES

Varathane® Whitewash can create a fresh and vintage look on furniture and more. It contains an innovative oil based formula that adds beauty and brightens wood with a shade of white color while allowing the natural grain to show through. Can be applied to bare wood or over a wood stain after it's dried. No wood conditioner required. Varathane Whitewash can be used on all interior wood projects such as furniture, cabinets, doors, and trim.

Not for use on outdoor surfaces. For wood substrates only.

PRODUCTS

QUART	1/2 PINT	DESCRIPTION
358553	355305	Whitewash Wood Enhancer

PRODUCT APPLICATION

SURFACE PREPARATION

Remove any existing finishes with sandpaper or paint stripper. Prepare bare wood for staining by sanding in the direction of the grain. Begin with #120 grit sandpaper and progress through #150, #180 and #220 grits. Before staining, remove all sanding dust and dirt with a vacuum and grease or glue with a clean rag dampened with mineral spirits.

WARNING! If you scrape, sand or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH-approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to www.epa.gov/lead.

TESTING COLOR

Be sure to test your stain to verify the desired color. To test, apply the stain in an inconspicuous area.

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APPLICATION

When using more than one can, pour all contents together in a separate container and mix well to ensure uniformity. Stir or shake material thoroughly before and occasionally during use. For best results, use at a temperature between 60°F and 90°F. 1 hour dry time. Allow longer dry time on damp, humid days.

For a uniform coating of Whitewash over bare or stained wood: Apply liberally with a brush or clean lint-free rag. Allow to penetrate for 2-3 minutes then remove excess to ensure proper dry time and adhesion of topcoat by wiping with a rag in the direction of the grain. Longer penetration times will lead to more opaque layer of Whitewash. After 1 hour an additional coat can be applied to build to desired opacity.

For a distressed dry brush look over bare or stained wood: Dip the tip of a dry bristle brush into the Whitewash, dab on a cloth until semi-dry, then use light, feathery strokes in the direction of the wood grain. Allow to dry 1 hour.

For a vintage Whitewash layer over paint or stain: Once stain or paint is completely dry, lightly sand entire piece using #220 grit sandpaper. Remove dust. Cover entire surface area with Whitewash and allow to penetrate for 30 seconds. Wipe away to desired effect. Allow to dry for 1 hour.

PROTECTING THE WOOD

To complete your wood project and for the best protection, finish with any water-based Varathane Polyurethane depending on your project needs. Polyurethane can be applied 1 hour after application.

NOTE: Oil based polyurethanes add an amber hue to the finish.

COVERAGE

Up to 275 square feet per quart.

CLEAN UP

Clean application tools and equipment with mineral spirits.

DISPOSAL

Warning! Rags, brushes, or other waste soaked with this product may spontaneously catch fire if improperly discarded. Immediately after use, place rags or waste in a sealed, water-filled metal container. Dispose of contaminated absorbent, container and unused contents in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

	TECHNICAL DATA	VAR-100
	VARATHANE® WHITEWASH	

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

		VARATHANE WHITEWASH
Resin Type		Urethane Modified Alkyd
Pigment Type		Inorganic
Solvents		Mineral Spirits
Weight	Per Gallon	7.0-8.9 lbs.
	Per Liter	0.84-1.08 kg
Solids	By Weight	35.0-53.0%
	By Volume	29.0-35.0%
Volatile Organic Compounds		<550 g/l (0.4.6 lbs./gal.)
Recommended Dry Film Thickness (DFT) Per Coat		1.5-2.0 mils (34.5-50μ)
Wet Film to Achieve DFT (unthinned material)		5.0-6.5 mils (125-162.5μ)
Practical Coverage at Recommended DFT (assumes 15% material loss)		225-275 sq. ft./quart 70 sq. ft./half-pint
Dry Times at 70-80°C (21-27°C) and 50% Relative Humidity	Touch	1 hour
	Recoat	1 hour
	Full Cure	24 hours
Shelf Life		3 years
Flash Point		>100°F (38°C)
Safety Information		For additional information, see SDS

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