

WELCOME HOME

Your guide to care for and
customise the spaces you'll live in



CREATE BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES

When your builder chose Wattyl paints, they chose to put over 100 years of coatings expertise to work protecting and beautifying your home. To help you make your house a home, we've compiled some helpful information about caring and maintaining your home, as well as some ideas on how to begin making your home uniquely yours.

WELCOME TO YOUR NEW HOME



**HELP YOUR HOME
ALWAYS FEEL
LIKE NEW**

The performance of your paint depends on many variables – the product selected, the colour and sheen, even the location where it's used. Depending on these factors, some paints will stand up better to repeated cleaning and upkeep than others.



Follow these simple cleaning tips to keep the painted surfaces in your home looking fresh.

INTERIOR

- Wait at least 7 days before cleaning newly painted walls.
- After the paint has cured, clean stains or marks as soon as they are noticed as this is when they are easiest to remove.
- Always dust using a soft cloth or feather duster before washing.
- Dab stains or marks using a soft cloth soaked in a mild detergent solution.
- Rinse by dabbing again with clean water and let dry.
- Avoid rubbing or abrading as this can result in glossing up of the paint film.
- If thorough washing is required, it is often better to wash the whole wall to a natural break, e.g. a corner, so that the whole visual surface has the same treatment.
- If stains or marks cannot be removed by mild detergent use a proprietary cleaner following the manufacturer's recommendations.

Note: All proprietary cleaning treatments should be tested first on an inconspicuous section of the wall to ensure the treatment will not cause unacceptable damage to the painted surface.

EXTERIOR

- Wait at least 7 days before cleaning newly painted surfaces.
- After the paint has cured, a combination of mild detergent, a soft brush and low water pressure (<1000psi) will clean off most dirt and grime deposits.
- After washing, rinse with clean water and let dry.
- If mould or fungal growth has been identified, treat using a diluted bleach solution and then rinse thoroughly with clean water.
- Surfaces which have started to open due to changes in their structure might now be apparent. Remedial action should be planned to cope with this.
- While most paint finishes are long lasting, it is easier to repaint a sound surface in good condition than it is to repair and repaint a surface which has been left too long and deteriorated.

BE READY WHEN LIFE HAPPENS

REPAIR LIGHT DAMAGE:

Depending on the surface of your wall, the process may vary. But generally, you'll follow these steps.

1. Ensure the surface is clean, dry and free of all loose material.
2. Fill any holes, cracks or surface imperfections with an appropriate patching material and allow to dry according to directions.
3. Sand lightly to an even finish.
4. Completely remove all sanding dust and residue.



TOUCH UP YOUR PAINT:

Follow these simple steps to help your touch up match up with the rest of your walls.

1. For best touch up results, find leftover paint previously used on that surface.
2. Ensure the surface is clean, dry and free of any dirt and dust.
3. To touch up via roller, use a small touch-up roller with a minimum loading of paint to provide the same texture pattern.
4. To touch up via brush, the paint must be applied in a full wet coat then 'stippled' with the brush to replicate the existing texture pattern.
5. A thin or dry application will make the touch up area highly visible. For best results, apply the touch up paint with a sponge then stipple with a brush.
6. The actual area of the touch up should be kept to a minimum. If many small areas require touching up across a single surface, it is often much more successful to recoat the whole surface from corner to corner.



VIRTUAL PAINTER

See what the latest colours trends would look like in your home with Watty's Virtual Painter. Simply upload your photo to wattyl.com.au and select your preferred colour palette to see how it would look in your own home, with your décor.







**BE INSPIRED TO
TRANSFORM
YOUR HOME**

FIRST IMPRESSIONS ARE IMPORTANT

Colour can change everything. Here are a few ideas to get you thinking about ways to add a personal touch to your home by incorporating colour.



FEATURE WALL

Use an accent colour to create a focal point in any room or the end of the hall.



COLOUR CONTINUITY

Let colour flow through your home by painting adjoining spaces in one shade lighter or darker than the overall colour.



CEILING

Don't forget the fifth wall. Ceilings don't have to be white.



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