



Frequently Asked Questions

What is FolkArt Painted Finishes – Rust?

FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust is a water-based, non-toxic, easy-to-apply, textural paint that when applied to a variety of surfaces will create the illusion of rust.

On what types of surfaces can I use FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust?

FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust can be applied to a wide variety of rigid surfaces such as: wood, terra cotta, plastic, papier mache and of course, metal; however, the painted rust finish will be most convincing when applied to a surface that will actually rust.

How should I prepare my surfaces before painting with FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust?

- **Wood** – Because FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust is a thick textural paint, there is no need for additional prep whether working on finished or unfinished wood, even if the surface is very rough.
- **Terra Cotta** – No prep is necessary when decorating terra cotta.
- **Plastic** – Wash plastic surfaces in warm, soapy water to remove any existing grease film. Allow to thoroughly dry.
- **Papier Mache** – No prep is necessary when decorating papier mache surfaces.
- **Metal** – Wash all new metal surfaces in warm, soapy water; allow to thoroughly dry. Moisten a paper towel or soft cloth with distilled white vinegar and wipe over surface; allow to dry.

How many colors of FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust are available?

FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust is available in two colors, Light Rust and Dark Rust.

What is the best applicator tool to use when applying FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust?

Use a stiff bristled brush that will allow you to manipulate the thick texture of FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust. The FolkArt Shortie Brushes are perfect for this textured paint application technique.

How is the FolkArt Shortie Brush different from any other brush?

Each FolkArt Shortie Brush is manufactured as a 1" wide flat brush containing 100% hog hair with flag tip bristles. Hog hair bristles offer the stiffness needed to manipulate thick textured paint and the flag tip bristles allow the brush to hold more paint.

What supplies should I have on hand when working with FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust?

You should have your prepped project surface, both Light and Dark Rust, FolkArt Shortie Brushes, paper towels, craft knife, foam plates or a palette, and a container of water.

How can I re-mix FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust if it has settled?

If your paint has settled, simply shaking the FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust bottles will fully incorporate the paint.

What application method is recommended when creating a FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust project?

Dab to apply the thick paint for dimensional interest rather than brushing which may smooth the paint. Working small surface sections at a time and while Dark Rust is still wet, randomly dab on Light Rust for contrast and depth of color. NOTE: If desired, either Light or Dark Rust can be used alone.

Can I create any special effects with FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust?

You can create the look of aged or weathered rust by adding water to the FolkArt Shortie Brush and dabbing the moistened bristles randomly into the wet rust texture paint. The water will allow some of the rust paint to run or drip. NOTE: Be sure to hold the project surface upright to allow the drips to run in the direction as they naturally would do.

How much coverage does the Rust FolkArt Painted Finishes kit provide?

One 2 fl. oz. bottle of FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust will cover approximately 1.5 square feet of surface. When combining Light and Dark Rust 2 fl. oz. bottles, approximately 3 square feet of project surface can be covered.

How much coverage can I expect from one 4 fl. oz. bottle of FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust?

One 4 fl. oz. bottle of FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust will cover approximately 3 square feet of surface. When combining Light and Dark Rust 4 fl. oz. bottles, approximately 6 square feet of project surface can be covered.

What is the dry/cure time when creating with FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust?

Depending on the chosen surface (if working on porous or nonporous surface), how thick the application, and how humid your work area is, FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust can dry to the touch within 4 hours. FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust will be cured to the surface in approximately 24 hours.

How do I clean FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust from of my Shortie Brushes?

FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust can be easily cleaned from used paint brushes while the bristles are still wet using soap and warm water.

Is FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust safe to use on outdoor surfaces?

Yes, FolkArt Painted Finishes can be used on outdoor projects, assuming the surface itself can withstand outdoor elements.

Will FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust stain my clothing?

FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust can penetrate your clothing the same as when working with acrylic paints. However, it can be washed out immediately while wet using FolkArt Brush Plus and water.

Should I seal my FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust project after it is dry?

FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust is self-sealing and does not require any added varnish or sealers for protection.

How should I clean my FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust project?

Projects created using FolkArt Painted Finishes Rust can be wiped clean to remove dust using a slightly damp paper towel or soft cloth.