

## **Paint Color Chart: Handy Helpful Hints**

Hello, friends!

This chart can be completed by hand and given to your painter, if you have one. That's why there's a space for your name and address on the first page: if your painter is working more than one job at a time, it prevents confusion. The chart also serves as a reference when you need to touch up or re-paint in the future.

For the "Special Instructions" section at the bottom of the first page, here are some things to consider:

- Do or do not paint grilles/heat vents?
- Remove all artwork and patch and repair holes (please spell this out, or they may paint over your hooks!)
- Remove all window treatments before painting and then reinstall (if you're keeping the same treatments)
- Remove curtain/drapery hardware and patch and repair holes, or should they paint around the rods? If you're changing the window treatments, ask them to remove the current hardware and repair the walls or moulding, even if it means you have to use temporary shades for a while. Your new hardware may not line up with the old holes
- Paint switchplates or not? If you have old, gummy switchplates that have been painted over, I recommend removing them, painting the walls, and then installing new, fresh plates
- Remove wall sconces and ceiling light fixtures before painting or not? I recommend this; it's hard to paint around them
- Re: paint finishes, I recommend:
  - o Flat or matte on walls and ceilings (great for older homes with uneven walls)
  - o <u>Eggshell</u> for bathroom and kitchen walls. Please do NOT use semi-gloss for walls. It's not necessary for cleaning purposes, and you can get a gross "orange peel" look from a roller. Use <u>satin</u> finish if you must have shine.
  - Semi-gloss or high gloss for trim. I just used high gloss on my living room trim, and I love it!

Best of luck - and have fun!

Paint Color Selections, Client			
Job site:			
Paint manufacturer:			
Closets throughout house to be painted: Room wall color + finish			
Trim color + finish			
Special instructions to painter:			

## **Paint Color Selections**

Room	Walls	Trim	Ceiling
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