3 Customizable Bases



The CraftNique™ DIY Paint and Stain Color System

<u>Universal White Full Coverage Paint Base</u> - Add any of the *CraftNique*™ Color Boutique Concentrates. Use Dorinda's recipe book for a quick guide to color combinations or make your own. Our Universal Paint Base will adhere and can be used on multiple surfaces providing proper prep, and will also give a Smooth, High Hiding, Stain Blocking, Matte Finish. Calcium Carbonate can be added to make a chalky type paint. Universal White can be Brushed or Sprayed.

<u>Clear Gel Stain Base</u> - Use any of the *CraftNique* Color Boutique Concentrates to create hundreds of stain colors, anything from traditional stain colors to bold, bright colors. This Base will give you a transparent stain that shows the wood grain. It can be used on bare wood or over an existing finish (providing proper cleaning and light scuff sanding). Colors can be layered and blended with multiple coats for additional character or to make a darker, fuller coverage stain. *CraftNique* Gel Stain Base can be brushed, Sprayed or Wiped on.

<u>Grande Finale' Top Coat</u> - Protect your work of art with *CraftNique* Grande Finale'. No other topcoat can compare to this one for ease of application, (brush, spray or wipe on) durability, and UV protection. It self- levels, it won't yellow, streak or leave water spots, and will give you years of protection. Plus you can add Color Boutique Concentrates directly into this Top Coat for an All in One Colored Top Coat. Grande Finale' is available in 4 sheens. Flat Matte, Satin, Semi-Gloss and Gloss.

<u>Color Boutique Concentrates</u> - 8 basic colors that can be used to tint any of the *CraftNique* bases. These 8 highly concentrated colors can be mixed together to create endless color possibilities. Use Dorinda's Recipe Book for starter color recipes or be creative and make your own, unique colors.

<u>Color Boutique Concentrated Metallics</u> - 4 colors of sparkly mica in a concentrated liquid solution that you can use straight or add into the Clear Gel Stain Base or any of *CrystaLac* Top Coats.

May Your Heart Take Flight

Your Imagination Run Wild

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Let The Magic Begin...

Surface Preparation

All *CraftNique* products other than Color Boutique Concentrates, will adhere extremely well to most surfaces but we highly suggest cleaning each surface (except for bare wood) with a good degreaser or denatured alcohol and then wipe clean with a damp rag. It is not necessary to strip old finishes off, but we do recommend lightly scuff sanding with 240 to 400 grit sandpaper to help smooth out any imperfections and provide some tooth for the finish to adhere to. *CraftNique* products are water-based so it is very important to make sure there are no waxes or silicones present when finishing. Do not use tack cloths or stearated sandpapers as they contain waxes to help remove sanding dust and may result in adhesion problems.

Application

Apply *CraftNique* at room temperature best between 65 to 75 degrees.

For Brushing - Apply long, even strokes using light pressure. Do Not over work or push foam into applicator or brush. Allow any bubbles to pop on their own. *CraftNique* will self- level as it dries.

For Spraying - *CraftNique* works with most spray equipment. We suggest spraying on a test piece first to find a good setting. Usually anywhere from 40 to 60 psi with a needle tip of 1 to 2 will work well. Use thin, even coats. If necessary, *CraftNique* can be thinned using CrystaLac Viscosity Reducer.

Coverage

CraftNique bases cover approximately 125 sq. ft per Quart. Most surfaces will need anywhere from 2 to 5 coats.

Dry Time

Allow 2 to 4 hours drying time in between coats. If using an oil based stain, make sure it is completely dry and gassed off before applying *CraftNique*. Oils can take anywhere from 72 hrs. to several weeks to completely dry.

Cure Time

CraftNique will be ready for light use within 24 hours. It will completely cure and continue to harden over a period of 30 days.

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