



NUVO™

CABINET PAINT

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Welcome to NUVO™ - the world's first one-day cabinet makeover kit! . . .

Be sure to review these Instructions before you get started because there are tips inside that will streamline your experience -

When your project is finished - send us your 'before and after' pictures because they'll inspire others - Let us know if you have any questions and enjoy your NUVO™ makeover! . . .

NOTE - If you're also going to be updating your countertops with Giani™ Granite Countertop Paint – then be sure to makeover your cabinets first – because this will eliminate the chance of getting paint on top of your new granite countertop finish -

Typical Questions . . .

How much does one Kit cover? –

Each NUVO™ Paint Kit has sufficient paint to cover the typical kitchen - which is equivalent to about forty running feet of standard cabinets or about one hundred square feet - Most people use the 'running feet' figure because it's quicker and easier to figure out -

NOTE: This amount of paint includes coating the front and back sides of all your cabinet doors - the front of your drawers – and the front and sides of your cabinet frame. It does not include coating the interior of your cabinet shelves –

NOTE: – if you're covering very dark wood or paint with one of NUVO's™ lighter colors – then a third coat might be required – There is enough paint included for this occurrence -

What surfaces can I paint? –

NUVO™ one-day cabinet makeover paints are designed to adhere to all wood, metal, laminate and melamine cabinets and frames -

How long will it take – and when can I use my cabinets again? –

From start to finish – your cabinet makeover should take you about eight hours. Of course, there are variables - such your painting speed and amount of cabinets – which may impact this time. However, the beginning Painter should be able to complete the typical kitchen in about 8 hours –

You should be able to put your kitchen back in use in about 4 hours after you've finished painting

What other tools will I need? –

Here's the other items you'll need for your cabinet makeover. . .

1. Ordinary window cleaner – such as Windex® - for cleaning the cabinets
2. Small tipped artist brush for reaching any unusual tight spots
3. Screw driver to remove the knobs and pulls from your cabinet doors and drawers
4. Frog Tape® Painter's Tape to keep the paint off of your walls and appliances
5. Fast drying wood filler and #300 grit sand paper if you have any deep nicks to fill
6. Paint Roller Tray

Let's get started! . . .

NUVO™ One-Day Cabinet Makeover Kit

Three Steps - Prep - Paint - Put Back

Step 1 - Prep . . .

- A. **Repair & Patch** - If your cabinets have any deep nicks or scratches - then fill them in with a fast drying wood filler - We suggest you perform any patches before cleaning and taping your cabinets because this will allow the patches to dry while you're getting the rest of your cabinets ready -

To patch - simply use a putty knife and fill in the blemish with any fast drying wood filler and allow the patch to build up a little higher than the surface because the patch will shrink down as it dries -

Once the patch has dried per the manufacturer's suggested time period - use a fine grit #300 sand paper and smooth it down until it's even with the rest of the cabinet surface -

NOTE: IF you're replacing any old knobs with new ones - and the new knob's screw holes don't match up with the existing holes - then take the time now to patch the old holes with wood filler - And then drill new holes for the new knobs as needed -

- B. **Protect** - Next - use your Frog Tape® Painter's Tape and mask off your walls wherever they meet up with your cabinets. It's optimal to apply two rows of tape because it provides additional protection. Be sure to press down firmly on the tape's edge to ensure a proper seal -

Next - protect your appliances by applying the tape to wherever they meet your cabinets -

Tape the front edge of your countertops -

And finally - place newspapers or a tarp over your countertops and floor -



NOTE: it's not necessary to remove the items stored inside your cabinets. You may choose to curtain them off with plastic or newspaper -

Finally - if your cabinet door hinges are visible from the outside - then you may either tape over them to protect them or plan on painting around them -

- C. **Remove Knobs** - Next use a screw driver and unscrew and remove all the knobs from your cabinet doors and drawers - If your knobs aren't removable then simply tape them off or plan on painting around them -



If the backside of your cabinet doors have 'bumpers' - then you may either remove and replace them after your project is finished - or paint around them -

- D. **Clean** -



Use ordinary Window Cleaner - such as Windex® - and wipe down the front of your cabinet doors, drawers and frames - Clean the back of the doors too - Do not use other cleaners as they may leave a residue

NOTE: YOU DO NOT NEED TO SAND WOOD, PAINTED WOOD, PAINTED METAL OR LAMINATE CABINETS - BECAUSE NUVO™ CABINET PAINT IS A PRIMER AND PAINT IN ONE -

HOWEVER - YOU MUST LIGHTLY DE-GLOSS THE SIDES OF WOOD CABINETS BECAUSE THEY'RE TYPICALLY MADE OF A 'WOOD PAPER' THAT HAS A WAX COATING -

Failure to de-gloss these 'wood paper' sides may adversely affect the adhesion of the coating on these sides. Use the 'Sanding Pad' that's included in your Kit and then wipe them clean



FINAL NOTE - IT'S NOT NECESSARY TO TAKE OFF YOUR CABINET DOORS FOR PAINTING BECAUSE NUVO™ CABINET PAINT IS FAST DRYING - YOU MAY CHOOSE TO REMOVE YOUR DOORS IF DESIRED - BUT IT'S NOT NECESSARY -

Step 2 – Paint . . .

Do not attempt to apply the NUVO™ Cabinet Paint in one thick coat because it may adversely effect the coating's performance because it's designed for two coats -

NOTE: It's optimal to have your room's temperature between 65F and 77F. Be sure to turn off any ceiling fans to prevent blowing dust -

- A. **Paint your cabinet frames** – Begin by using the Kit's included paint brush and paint the NUVO™ Cabinet Paint around the exterior hinges on the frame–

Next - open the cabinet doors and drawers in the area and complete painting the rest of the frame by using the Kit's included brush or roller -

NOTE: for best results, use up and down brush strokes on the uprights of your frame, and use side-to-side strokes on the horizontal sections -



NOTE – KEEP CABINET DOORS & DRAWERS OPEN AFTER PAINTING THE FRAME TO ALLOW THE PAINT TO DRY SO THE DOORS DON'T STICK -

Repeat this across all of your cabinets -

- B. **Paint doors and drawers** – Next - paint the backside of each door first – Don't paint their side edges yet because you'll paint these when you paint their front side - Keep the doors open while painting by holding them from the front side -



NOTE: it's not necessary to paint the backside of your drawers because they're typically not visible when opened -

By the time you've finished painting the backside of your last door – the first one is probably dry to the touch. If so – then you may begin by painting the front and side edges of your doors and drawers.

For best results – it's optimal to paint the front of "Raised Panel" doors and drawers by following the below sequence . . .

- a. Paint the recessed 'valleys' first with the Kit's included paint brush – Use up and down brush strokes on the vertical sections and sideway strokes on the horizontal pieces -

NOTE: watch for drips and pooling of paint in the corners - and brush out -

- b. Next - paint the side edges of the door with the Kit's included roller or brush – Be sure to remove most of the paint from the roller before painting the edges because it will minimize excess paint build up on their back sides of the door -
- c. Finally – use the roller to paint the face and raised panels of the doors and drawers. Again – use up and down roll strokes on the vertical sections and side strokes on the horizontals

Be sure to watch for runs or excess build up on the corners – side edges - and the back sides of your doors. If you see any – gently brush them out immediately -

And finally – keep the doors and drawers open during your project to allow them to dry and not stick to the frames -

By the time you've finished painting the front side of your final door or drawer – it's very likely that enough time has elapsed – **2 hours** - for you to go back where you started and repeat the above process for a second coat –

- C. **Apply Second Coat** - Repeat the above process -



NOTE: If you see any thin areas after your Second Coat - allow the section to dry for 2 hours and then re-coat the entire section or door because "spot" re-coats will create a noticeable difference in gloss -

You may apply a 3rd thin coat if needed to hide very dark wood or paint -

Step 3 – Put Back . . .

- A. **Remove Tape** – Immediately after your final coat has dried to the touch – you may begin removing the tape. Be sure to carefully score the edge of the tape with a sharp tool to ensure a clean separation from the new coating –
- B. **Reattach Knobs** – **wait a minimum of eight hours before reattaching your knobs** because it will prevent them from sticking - Re-apply new bumpers if you removed your old ones –
- C. **Keep your doors and drawers open for a minimum of eight hours** after you've finished your final coat because this will ensure they don't stick -

Congratulations on your beautiful NUVO™ Cabinet makeover - and enjoy!

Disposal - clean equipment and paint spatters with warm, soapy water. Dispose of contaminated absorbent, container and unused product in accordance with all current federal, state and local regulations.

Use only with adequate ventilation.

WARNING! Irritant! Harmful if swallowed. Avoid contact with eyes. May cause eye, nose and throat irritation. Avoid breathing of dust and vapors or spray mist. Open windows and doors or use other means to ensure fresh air entry during application and drying. If you experience eye watering, headache, or dizziness, leave the area to obtain fresh air. If continued difficulty is experienced, seek medical attention immediately.

Close container after each use. Wash thoroughly after handling and before smoking and eating.

FIRST AID: If swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Get medical attention immediately. If you experience difficulty in breathing, leave the area to obtain fresh air. If continued difficulty is experienced, seek medical attention immediately. In case of eye contact, flush eyes immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and seek medical attention.

KEEP FROM FREEZING.

CAUTION: Do not take internally. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Use with adequate ventilation. **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.** **WARNING!** If you scrape, sand or remove old house paint – you may release lead dust. Lead is toxic. Contact National Lead Information Hotline at 800-424-LEAD. Giani™ is lead free.

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