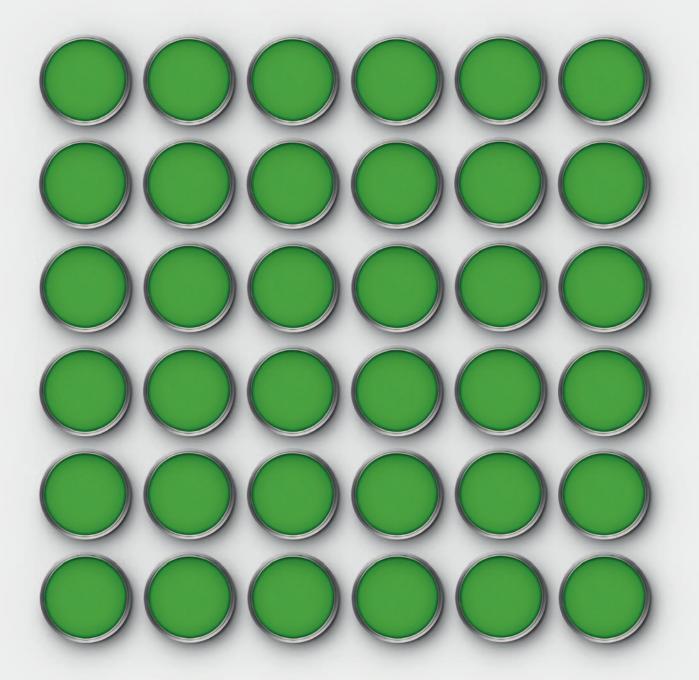




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Covers Anniversary Challenge & Demonstration Mornings

Covers Timber & Builders Merchants are hosting Anniversary Challenge & Demonstration Mornings from 7.30am to 1pm.

Free to attend, including a hog roast, take part in a range of challenges to win up to £175 of gift cards on the day and more for the overall leaderboard.

Tuesday 9th August – Covers OTBS Bexleyheath

Wednesday 10th August – Covers Tunbridge Wells

Wednesday 14th September – Covers Brighton

Tuesday 20th September – Covers Alresford Friday 23rd September – Covers Gosport





Family Business of the Year Awards 2022

Brewers Decorator Centres were awarded Homes and Gardens Family Business of the Year at the Family Business of the Year Awards 2022. The company cited family culture and commitment to supporting local communities and charitable organisations as some of the reasons Brewers were selected.

Also runners up in the London and South East People's Choice Award, London and South East Family Business of the Year Award and 6th place in the National People's Choice Award.

"We'd like to thank all of our customers who voted for us."

One Can helps village fly the Jubilee flag



Bradite One Can and a local builders' merchants have helped a small Suffolk village to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Residents of Thorpe Morieux voted for a giant Union Jack to be painted on the end wall of their village hall. A design of a flag fluttering in the breeze was worked up by Tony Sheppard and a team of keen helpers was assembled to take on the task.

Brewers Leamington Spa Now Open



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Painting and Decorating apprentices showcase their skills

The Painting and Decorating Association (PDA), held its annual Apprentice Paperhanger of the Year contest at Doncaster College and University Centre.

16 apprentices gathered to showcase their stamina and skill, taking on a gruelling six-hour challenge.

The apprentices - who represent painting and decorating companies from Scotland to the south coast - now have a nail-biting wait until the winners are announced at the PDA National Networking Event Gala Dinner.





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Partnership for HMG and Belle Vue Speedway

Two Manchester based juggernauts have joined forces. Belle Vue Speedway has the unique distinction of being the longest continuallyoperating Speedway club in the world. HMG Paints, formed in 1930 is a family-owned manufacturer of industrial, commercial vehicle, decorative and specialist products.

To celebrate the partnership HMG has developed two new colours: Aces Black (GRA 0940 / 42212) and Aces Red (R 0550 / 42212)

Bartoline launches decorating and building trade range

The new '1876 The Professional Range' is a suite of professional quality decorating adhesives, fillers, sundries, caulks and sealants.

Bartoline is a long established decorative sundries supplier, founded in 1876, hence the new trade range name.

There are plans to add additional products to the core trade range over the next 18 months.



Leyland SDM backs Happy Feet community art project

Sol Golden Sato, a London artist, is taking his Happy Feet public art project to estates across London, encouraging children to get creative by removing their shoes to paint on a 50m canvas whilst dancing.

Leyland SDM are supporting the initiative with a financial contribution and by donating paint and T-shirts to protect participants' clothes.

The first Happy Feet events at the Furzedown Estate and the Alton Estate have attracted hundreds of children and their families. A massive celebratory finale is planned for Portobello in August.



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Painter & Decorator to join Wernerco Ambassador scheme

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£2,000 for St Barnabas House

An employee from Covers Timber & Builders Merchants in Chichester has raised £1,307 for St Barnabas House after completing the Brighton Half Marathon. As part of its fund matching scheme, Covers has agreed to donate an additional £1,000 making the total amount £2,307.

Jackie Redman, Sales Office Manager at Covers Chichester, decided to take on the challenging 13-mile course to raise funds for St Barnabas House in Worthing. The hospice is close to Jackie's heart after taking care of her mother, who sadly passed away from cancer in October 2021.



Travis Perkins commitment to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The Science Based Targets Initiative(STBI) has formally recognised Travis Perkins' plans to reduce its scope 1 and 2 emissions by 80% before 2035 from a 2020 base year. The SBTi have accredited the Group's plans to reduce its total scope 3 emissions by 63% within the same timeframe. This means SBTI have determined that all targets are in line with a 1.5°C trajectory.

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HMG Paints broaden their Essential Colour Collection

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Microban International announces a new range of antiviral technologies

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Decorative Finishes – Using Graining and Marbling Techniques

Cait Whitson is decorative painter working throughout UK and teaching from her studio in Perth, Scotland. You can see her work and connect with her on social media; Twitter and Instagram -@paintycait or Facebook https://www.facebook.com/carteblanchedecorativepainters/. Her training courses can be found at www.caitwhitson.com

This Summer I thought I would show you some of the finishes we have used over the years that are directly related to Graining and Marbling but are used as decorative finishes. In our case mainly for cabinetry and trim but they could be used for furniture and walls too.

For those that haven't quite got the nerve to try actual graining and marbling yet, these are great methods to master as they are foundation techniques without the intimidating veining or figuring.

Moiré Finish

This technique uses graining combs; it is essentially the same technique as you would use to create the grain in oak, but just a bit more dramatic. It looks wonderful on panels or drawer fronts.

I used a basecoat of Fleur Eggshell and I tried to find a colour that was never associated with wood and chose a metallic purple colour for the glaze. Lay on the glaze and then lightly drag it with a dry brush to even out the glaze. Using a fine metal graining comb drag at a slight angle



down through the glaze and wipe the comb. On your second pass go at a slightly different angle but also gently twist the comb as you go. You can do this more than once until you are happy.

Flogging

Flogging is normally done as the first layer of woods like Mahogany and Walnut. It mimics the flecked background texture of these hardwoods. It is a lovely alternative to

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dragging; softer, more textural and it sits perfectly on facings and skirtings.

Flogging used this way needs to be a lot more even and methodically done than as a background to wood, where patchy areas look natural. I used the same colours as the Moiré Finish to really highlight the difference in technique.

Lay on the glaze and drag it with the flogging brush to even it out. Then, using the flogger, ensuring that the bristles are all lying nice and flat, start to flog from bottom to top. With a relaxed hand control the brush using your thumb. All too often I watch people trying to beat the glaze to death. This leads to lines where the

tips of the bristles leave a horizontal mark and the bristles tend to kink, giving you odd marks in your flogging - no-one wants kinky flogging!

Multi- Mottle Anyone who attended the

Pardon School of



Specialist Decoration will remember the Multi-Mottle. It is basically a marble background, multiple harmonious colours blended in the same way as you would for marbling. It is also a good technique to create a sky finish.

I used a white base – Benjamin

Moore Chantilly Lace in Regal Pearl and I mixed a cream glaze, an aubergine glaze and the purple glaze we used for the other two techniques. You need to consider carefully what colours you will use as discordant colours can get muddy.

Lay on a thin even layer of the cream glaze, then add patches of the other's colours. Roughly blend the colours together using a hog hair softener and rag with a cotton rag. Finally blend it all using a hog hair softener to remove what we call "MOA"s - Methods of Application marks. A hogs hair brush is better than a badger for this stage as it is stiffer, you can use a badger at the end if you prefer.

Multi Mottle Complete

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principal national forum and follows the highly successful 2021 event which, despite COVID-19 precautions at the time, attracted almost 3000 visitors. This year will be even better, with great promotions, prize draws, competitions, raffles, and much more, to ensure a useful and potentially profitable day out for all.



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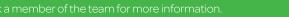


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Crown Paints provides a lesson in design for Salford university students



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The paint manufacturer invited third-year Interior Design students from the university to take part in a full-day itinerary of brand, colour and product workshops, alongside talks and presentations from the Crown Paints Architect and Design team.

The students heard from the experts on upcoming colour trends they should expect to see coming to light in Spring/Summer '22, as determined by Crown Paint's trend panel members. The panel regularly comes together to review design developments and societal behaviours to create a series of inspirational colour palettes and stylised photography for the upcoming season.

In addition, tiling supplier, Casa Ceramica, which also has a pod within Material Source Studio, held a session with the students, delivered by Gary Russell, Architectural Specifications Manager. Melanie Thomas, Architectural and Design Consultant at Crown Paints, said: "Our partnership with Material Source Studio is at the heart of our continuous collaboration with the architecture and design community – and it's fantastic to have extended that relationship to the next generation of industry professionals, too.

"Fostering young talent is crucial to our industry and we're proud to put Northern talent on display, while bringing experts from the wider design industry together to share ideas, inspiration and expertise on the latest trends and products."

Tim Bramley, Interior Design Programme Leader at The University of Salford, added: "It's been fantastic to see our students integrating with the wider design community and having the opportunity to learn from the expertise of the Crown Paints team. "Material Source Studio is an essential resource for current and future industry professionals – and we're so fortunate to have it on our doorstep."

Crown Paints has operated an exhibit at Material Source Studio since 2021, providing a source of inspiration for the design community, complete with trend insights, sample sharing, industry-leading case studies, colour expertise workshops, and a relaxing break-out area.

Set across two levels in the Grade II listed Hanover Building in Manchester City Centre, the 15,000sq ft studio is also home to an 80seat theatre, CPD area, 300+ book library, coworking hub, meeting spaces and podcast studio. In addition, an internal garden with a fully mature, 6-metre tree, spanning both floors.

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Prep for Success

Decorators can spend as much as 70% of a job just on the preparation, which is why it is so important to have a range of durable tools that you can rely on to achieve a professional finish with ease. When selecting tools like putty knives, scrapers and multi-tools, one of the common issues with low quality options is their tendency to rust. This can compromise their effectiveness and ability to achieve the finish you're after increasing the amount of time you have to spend on the task. Always look to stainless steel models that are less likely to rust for improved tool longevity and on-site efficiency.

It is also important to consider the build quality of these tools. Opting for products with a long tang (the part of the blade that connects to the handle) that runs the full length of the handle will reduce the chance of the blade coming loose, bending or even breaking, ensuring greater stability and strength.





Also look for features like rubberised grips that are more comfortable to use as this will reduce fatigue and the amount of downtime.

Brush up on Bristles

As well as delivering a better finish, choosing high quality brushes will also help to improve efficiency. Cheap paintbrushes with subpar filaments often struggle to retain paint and are likely to create visible brush strokes – or even loose bristles that then get stuck in the paint.

High quality brushes are equipped with filaments that can hold more paint, enabling you to cover larger areas faster. It is also worthwhile looking for brushes with a bolstered epoxy, as this means the filaments are locked in and are less likely to fall out and ruin the finish.

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Easy to use and connect with simple adjustment controls pressure, spray angle and atomization. It is also more ergonomic for painters versus climbing a ladder and staying in an uncomfortable position while holding a can of paint.

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Customer tests showed that the SprayMaster can deliver time savings of up to 50% compared to conventional brush and roller applications.



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When decorators' merchants Brewers decided to repaint the floor of their large King's Lynn branch with Bradite Floor-It, they got more than they bargained for



The job was undertaken by Bradite National Sales Manager James Burton, assisted by the firm's South East Area Sales Manager Matt Tomkins.

"We saw this as an opportunity to give the product a proper test and allow us to apply it in a practical real-life situation," explained James. "As technical salespeople we offer advice on

preparation and application daily, so it was nice to actually get out and put our knowledge to the test. Bradite Floor-It being a new product, it was good to get a feel for it and push it to its limits."

DP9 Floor-It is a high-performance coating formulated for use on many suitably prepared substrates for both domestic and commercial application, making it ideal for factory walkways and shopfloors. The low odour water based coating is touch dry in 30 minutes and re-coatable after one hour, qualities that were of particular importance to this sort of job as the shop remained open to customers while the repainting work continued, an aisle at a time. James and Matt were faced with an original two-pack epoxy coated floor that had failed in a number of places. They cleaned the floor using Bradite TD39 diluted with nine parts warm water, scrubbed it using a nylon broom, and rinsed with clean water, then mopped it dry.

Loose material was scraped away back to a firm coating edge, and any remaining original coating was lightly abraded to provide a key for two coats of the Floor-It. The job was completed within two days.

Brewers Regional Operations Manager Marcus Elwin is delighted with the results. "This has proved a bit of a problem floor in the past and often had to be redone after 12 months. There are quite heavy carts going over it, especially near the warehouse," he said.

And how did Bradite's own senior people come to take on the job? "They said they wanted to try it for themselves and were only going

to do a small patch at first, but then I guess they just got carried away!"

DP9 Floor-It is a durable product with firstrate adhesion and is mark, stain and petrol resistant, while being non-yellowing. It is ideal for use on internal and external surfaces such as wood, concrete, metal or asphalt as well as polyurethane, epoxy and chlorinate rubber coated floors.

Although Brewers King's Lynn had sold some of the product before the re-painting, sales have increased since the job was completed. "It's a win-win situation," says Marcus. When customers say, "how does the product look?", we can say "you're standing on it!"



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A firm favourite?

"We realise that's quite a statement," says Hamilton brand manager, Sarah Coussens. "but, the nickname 'hammy green' came from seeing it in conversations on social media forums."

From research conducted through such user forums, 76% of those pro decorators surveyed named a Hamilton roller sleeve as what they currently use, with over 85% having used a perfection sleeve.

"We also asked them why", Sarah continues, "it simply comes down to good paint pick-up, quality and a lovely finish. It doesn't need to be any more complex than that!"

When using water-based paints, pro's expect their rollers to last between 1-3 and 4-6 months, whilst being easy to wash out and perform well when re-used. It seems that the hammy green is meeting these expectations.

What do we want from a roller sleeve?

When we consider that using a roller sleeve is usually 95% of the finish of a wall – a good sleeve is absolutely key. Speed is also important, its why we use a roller after all.

Hannah jones, international product manager



for the uk, conducts testing for all Hamilton products and adds "based on what we know is most important when using a roller, we test all our sleeves for finish, speed, coverage, lint loss, pick-up, capacity and of course, spatter".

"Good results across all these stringent tests, as well as in-hand experience from real users, culminates in the development of the best roller sleeves."

She continues, "Hamilton sleeves perform extremely well in all these tests – hence why they are a sleeve of choice"

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"I have been proactive in Protective Coatings since 2006 reaching the position of ICorr Level 2 Qualified Painting Inspector enabling me to assess surfaces and their environments and to produce written specifications when required."

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Nick Church:

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On test: High Pressure Washers

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We asked some of the suppliers to send a long their washers and we put them through their paces.





ScrewfixTitan TT669PRW

Price:		£89.99
Wattage:		1800
Rated Pressure:		90bar
Max Inlet Water Press	ure:	7bar
Rated Water Flow:	6	litres per min
Weight.		8kg (approx)

Easy to use washer and well equipped, you get a lance extension three nozzles, a variable spray nozzle, a rotary nozzle and rotating patio brush. All these fit onto the extension Lance by way of the 'Hozlock' fitting. The pump housing is wheeled for ease of movement. On the top is a handle that can be left down in the storing position and by pressing a button can be raised for moving it about. On the back of the housing is a tank for detergent, the iater supply hose is at the rear under the tank and at the front of the housing you find the spray hose fits to the pressure outlet.

Makita HW 140

Price:	£659:99 MachineMart	
Wattage:	2,300	
Rated Pressure:	140bar	
Max Inlet Water Pressure Rated Water		
Flow:	8.3 litres per min	
Weight:	26.2kg (approx)	

A big powerful washer, at this price not a domestic tool. Its the largest on this line up and is certainly a substantial washer. It has wheels, it's the only one with a hose reel



Makita HE101 Aqua Mac

Price:	£112:37 Amazon
Wattage:	1300
Rated Pressure:	90bar
Max Inlet Water Press	sure: NA
Rated Water Flow:	7 litres per min
Weight:	6.5kg (approx)

This is one of the tiddlers of the line up, unfortunately not issued with a rotary nozzle it has however a variable spray nozzle. Not equipped with wheels but then it's light enough to carry about whilst working. There isn't a detergent tank attached to the pump housing but there is a bottle to attach to the spray gun. A good high quality washer for the smaller jobs and an excellent washer for the domestic market and for light commercial work.

instead of the normal coil on hooks. You get two nozzles, a rotary and a variable. There are a few things to assemble, in hooks to coil the cable and attaching the hose inlet Hoselock connector to the lower front of the pump housing. Very powerful washer, quickly cleaned up my drive and removed moss and lichen from walls. Nicely put together washer with brass fitting on the stray gun and makes very light work of my badly stained drive and moss covered garden walls.





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Clarke International JETSTAR 1850 7336005

Price:	£71.98 MachineMart
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Rated Pressure:	70bar
Max Inlet Water Pre	ssure: NA
Rated Water Flow:	6 litres per min
Weight:	5.45kg (approx)

A small washer and the least powerful on this line up and the cheapest. It comes complete with a variable nozzle, a pair of wheels and a detergent bottle. Unfortunately there is no a rotary nozzle which delivers much more power than the variable type. The spray gun comes in two parts using a push/twist connectors.



Clarke International JETSTAR 1950 7336010

Price:	£107.98 MachineMart
Wattage:	1600
Rated Pressure:	90bar
Max Inlet Water P	ressure: NA
Rated Water Flow	: 6.5 litres per min
Weight:	8.4kg (approx)

A bigger version than the 1850 delivering 20 more bar and weighing three kilos more. Equipped with wheels, a variable nozzle and an integral detergent tank. A washer with an obvious family similarity to its small brother using the same two part spray gun and variable spray nozzle. Like it's relative is good for domestic tasks but without a rotating nozzle it does take a bit more time to remove the grot.

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Laura Hettenbach, Senior Trade Brands Campaign Manager at Sherwin-Williams, said: "We're thrilled to be the official colour partner of the NFL, and this competition is an incredible opportunity for us to thank our valued customers with a chance to experience all of the drama, passion and glory of the NFL in person."

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On test: Renault Trafic Van

by David Stokes

Nowadays it seems important to give the van's 'face' an imposing look. Renault's Trafic is a case in point. Slim headlights afford a mean appearance and the radiator grill looks ready to bite you.

Any van exists to carry stuff. To this end vans are a metal box on wheels and to find one that is quiet when underway is really impossible. They drum, there's no getting away with this and the only difference is how much drumming you as a driver will have to suffer. Our test Trafic was nicely lined out with 4mm ply with even the wheel arches covered and boxed in. this meant the Trafic had a reasonably low level of noise.

A long time ago in another life, I was a Post Office telephone engineer driving the then signature yellow Commer van. These were a lamentable vehicle and usually I only indulged in short local journeys. One day I had to drive from Dover to Sittingbourne to fetch a telex machine (which gives you an idea how long ago) and I was on a motorway for the first time with this van. Its top speed I found was a smidgen over 55mph. The van didn't like it at all and nor did I, the noise was awful and with the narrow front track the road holding was at best, imprecise.

Move on fifty years and I can't take the Trafic to its top speed for fear of a ticket and points on my pristine licence but for a van the performance is sparkling. The ratios of the six-speed box are well



placed, the steering is light and positive and the road holding gives one security. I found the electronics a trifle bewildering and a younger man would have the systems well under his hat after a couple of days.

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The test van had three seats but there is a two seat version as an option. I enjoyed my time with the Trafic, a good and comfortable drive with lots of space in the rear.

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New Mirka DEOS Sander for hard-to-reach areas



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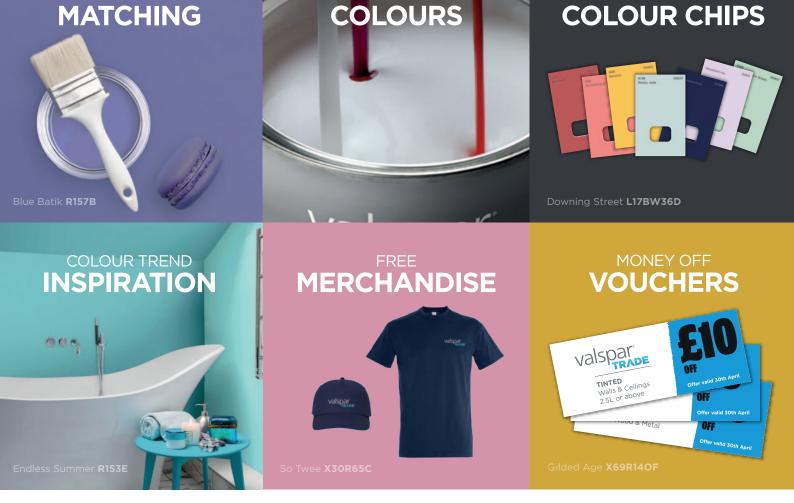
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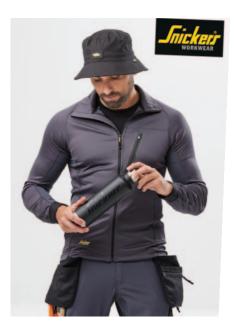
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Johnstone's Trade Stormshield Silicone Masonry Paint



High performance full silicone coating designed for use over rendered surfaces. The silicone technology provides high levels of breathability to allow moisture to leave the surface, resisting damage to the render or paint film. It is extremely durable with 15 years life expectancy and excellent weather resistance. It can be applied from 2°C and rising, and is rain resistant after 20 minutes.

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Makita UK has introduces the DHG181ZJ Heat Gun

With air volume and temperature adjustment reach up to 200L/min and 550°C. Run times of 30 minutes in low mode and 21 minutes in high mode.

There is a quick release, tool-less mechanism to allow for easy nozzle replacement without the need to touch any hot metal. Supplied in a Makpac Connector Case, Glass Protection, Wide Slot, Reflector, and Reduction Nozzles are all included as standard.



2,000 pre-selected colours - can match a sample the size of your fingernail with a database of over 2.2 million colours.

Upon sign-up, members of the Valspar Trade community will receive a free colour fan deck and 20 unique codes that allow their customers to order colour chips for free from the Valspar website (usually £5/¤5). Members will also benefit from money-off vouchers to spend in store at TradePoint.

The Purdy 10 in 1 Multi tool

This Multi-Tool includes numerous features to set nails, scrape, open cans, spread compound, open or clean cracks and clean rollers. Includes a nail puller, combination flat and cross-head screwdriver key. With a rubberized ergonomic grip to prevent slipping and increase comfort it incorporates a full length rust-resistant, stainless steel blade.

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Festool's CTC MINI/MIDI cordless compact dust extractor



From October 2022, Festool is expanding its 18-volt range with two cordless compact dust extractors: The CTC MINI and the CTC MIDI. Both extractors combine a mobile, dust-free and healthy working environment.

Six Work Trouser families to satisfy every need on site



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