



Decorative Painter's CRACKLE FOR LATEX PAINT

*Creates an Authentic Cracked Paint Surface
in Just Minutes*

Water Base 32 fl. oz. / 946 ml Easy Application

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3 EASY STEPS TO GREAT RESULTS!

STEP 1 PAINT BASECOAT

Any water base painted, primed or sealed surface (the base color determines the color of the cracks).

STEP 2 CRACKLE COAT

Modern Masters Crackle for Latex Paint.

STEP 3 PAINT TOPCOAT

Any color flat latex paint (the color determines the overall color of the surface).

COVERAGE | COBERTURA

80-100

sq ft / qt | pies cuadrados / qt

3 easy steps

3 pasos de progresión fáciles

Drying Time
Tiempo de Secado

@ 50% RH

60°F+

Touch: 45 min. | Tacto: 45 minutos

Temperature and humidity dependent
Dependiente de temperatura y humedad

Applied between two layers of paint, **Crackle for Latex Paint** causes the top color to crack revealing glimpses of the base color, creating an antique look. Not recommended for large vertical surfaces. May also be used to crack Modern Masters **Venetian Plaster**.

SURFACE PREPARATION: Surface must be clean, sound and non-absorbent. If priming is necessary, we recommend Zinsser's Bulls Eye 1-2-3® Primer.

Step One: Apply one coat of a Modern Masters **Metallic Paint Collection™** color or any color of eggshell or satin latex paint (this will be the color of the cracks) by brush, roller or spray gun to a properly prepared surface. Let dry completely (approx. 8 hours). If a natural wood or brick surface is desired for the base, seal using an 100% acrylic sealer and allow to dry completely.

Step Two: Stir thoroughly. Apply one coat of **Crackle for Latex Paint** by brush, roller or spray gun. The thicker the application, the larger the cracks will be. **Do not thin.** Allow to dry to the touch, approx. 45 minutes.

Step Three: Apply one thick coat of any color, low-grade, flat latex paint by brush, sea sponge, roller or spray gun (this will be the overall color). The thicker the application, the larger the cracks will be. Work quickly (especially in hot, dry climates) because the cracking process begins as the paint dries. When brushing, "cross-hatch" your brush strokes. The paint will crack along the brush stroke and will create erratic, wide cracks. When rolling, use a medium nap roller. Rolling or spraying will create a more uniform, consistent crack. **DO NOT** back roll or back brush; this will disturb

the cracking process. For best results, apply within a 6-hour period in a relatively dry environment. Let dry completely (approx. 24 hours). **Hint:** A blow dryer set to medium heat may be used to speed up the drying time of each stage. To prevent the paint from drying before it has finished cracking in step three, hold the dryer at least 10-12 in. (25-30 cm.) away from the surface.

PROTECTION: Surfaces that will be handled should be protected with two coats of Modern Masters **Dead Flat Varnish**. Surfaces in high humidity areas, such as bathrooms, should be protected with an oil base topcoat varnish. Follow the instructions on the container label.

CLEAN UP: Clean tools, brushes and equipment with warm, soapy water immediately. Promptly wipe up spills and splatters with a damp cloth.

HANDLING & STORAGE: When not in use, close container tightly and store at room temperature. Do not reuse this container and dispose of empty container properly.

HEALTH & SAFETY: Avoid contact with eyes. Wash hands after use. Do not take internally. When spraying or sanding use NIOSH approved respirator.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

WARRANTY: This product will perform as claimed if directions are followed. Directions are as complete as possible, but cannot encompass all conditions, applications, techniques, and/or surfaces, which are beyond our control. Warranty is limited to replacement or refund value of product actually used, if such product proves defective within two years of manufacture. No other warranty is expressed or implied.