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Day

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Medium

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Advanced

Color Remix – Ombre

Turn a plain piece of furniture into a statement piece! Share your color remix with [#SWColorLove](https://www.instagram.com/SWColorLove).

Supplies For This Project:

Dresser with Removable Drawers

New Knobs (optional)

Sherwin-Williams Emerald Interior Acrylic Latex

Paint Water + Detergent

Tack Cloth

Medium Grit 3M™ Sanding Sponge

Fine Grit 3M™ Sanding Sponge

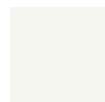
Purdy Paint Roller Cover for Smooth Surfaces

Paint Roller Frame

Purdy Paint Brush (2")

Premium Wall & Wood Primer

Colors Used:



SW 7757
High Reflective White



SW 9048
Surfin'



SW 6959
Blue Chip

Instructions:

1. First, select your dresser. We recommend one with drawers that fully remove, and a dresser body that frames each drawer to maximize color contrast.
2. Remove the knobs and clean the dresser with warm water and detergent. Once it's dry, sand the dresser and clean off dust with tack cloth.
3. Remove the drawers from the drawer frame. Begin by priming both the entire dresser and the drawers using Premium Wall & Wood Primer. Let dry 3-4 hours.
4. Once dry, begin painting both the entire dresser and the drawers with the lightest shade of paint (we used Emerald® Interior Acrylic Latex Paint in High Reflective White SW 7757). Let it dry 3-4 hours.
5. Replace the drawers in the frame. To achieve the ombre look, measure three equal sections on your dresser and mark lightly in pencil.
 - **Note:** *The top section will be the darkest color. The lightest color goes at the bottom, leaving the third color for the center.*
6. Instead of removing the drawers completely, push out the drawers out slightly to prep for painting. We will be painting on the drawer and frame separately, but this technique will help us line up the pattern so that we can see how the finished design would look.
 - **Tip:** *You always want to paint on the drawers separately from the dresser in order to avoid painting the drawers shut. However, when you put the drawers back into the frame, the pattern should line up well.*
7. Paint the middle section that you marked with the second-lightest color (we used Surfin' SW 9048). This section will be across parts of the drawer and the dresser frame. No need to be exact with your edges, you will be blending them together later.
8. Paint the darkest color at the top of the dresser (we used Blue Chip SW 6959, which requires an accent base). Leave a little room between your two colors.
 - **Tip:** *For a more subtle ombre that uses similar colors, consider choosing three colors that are in the same color family. Stay away from the darkest color if you can, for a more soothing palette. If drama is what you're looking for, then consider a bold hue for your darkest color, but select your color with care.*
9. Using a 4" paint brush, repaint the bottom edge of your middle color.
 - *Work in small sections so that the paint does not dry during the blending stage. You will need to be working with wet paint while blending.*
10. With a different 4" paint brush, repaint the bottom color adjacent to your new wet edge of your middle color.
11. Hold the brush at a 45 degree angle to blend the colors evenly. Start by creating an "X" with the paint brush, blending the two colors together. This is when you want the colors to mix and blend together, forming a gradient. Continue working in small sections to ensure you are consistently blending with wet paint.
12. Repeat STEPS SIX and SEVEN for top colors. Let dry for 3-4 hours. Enjoy!

The BEFORE & AFTER...



WARNING! Removal of old paint by sanding, scraping, or other means may generate dust or fumes that contain lead. Exposure to lead dust or fumes may cause brain damage or other adverse health effects, especially in children or pregnant women. Controlling exposure to lead or other hazardous substances requires the use of proper protective equipment, such as a properly fitted respirator (NIOSH approved) and proper containment and cleanup. For more information, call the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD (in US) or contact your local health authority.