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Once and done! is a favorite motto of mine. Not because I like to rush through anything or compromise quality and style. Mostly because life is busy and I want to enjoy every part of it. Dressing up, decorating and maintaining your home is all about pride. Making your home a reflection of who you are is paramount to relaxation and happiness. My first ever digital magazine on how to create and beautify your home with Wagner spray tools is meant to inspire and help create the home of your dreams. Easy projects, color inspirations and lots of how-to will help you prep and spray and roll your way to success. And that’s not all. Each season we will add a new volume filled with more inspiring ideas and projects to personalize and revitalize your house, deck, front door and so much more. These pages will give you ideas and tangible tools that really help implement your designs, and allow you the time to revel in how you got to the FINISH. Enjoy!

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PERSONAL PALETTE

ROLLAWAY BED
Roll a striped headboard with some painter’s tape, masking paper, and a SMART Mini Roller®. Spray headboard base color and let dry 24 hours. Mask off stripes with tape and paper. Roll second color between taped off stripes. Let dry and remove tape to reveal design.

Organize your palettes and project inspirations using online resources like Pinterest and inspirational sites like Houzz and Apartment Therapy. Create a study of your favorite color inspirations and then tote it all to the paint store for color matching and collection.
WHAT YOU’LL NEED:
◇ envelopes, either plain or fancy
◇ birthday candles in colors
◇ HT3500 heat gun
◇ parchment paper
◇ faux flowers in silk or paper
◇ parchment paper

THE PROCESS:
Make up a dozen of these wax seals on a sheet of parchment paper and use them as needed. These are best used on hand delivered invites or thank you notes.

On a flat work surface place a sheet of parchment paper.

Place candle on paper, wick side up. Set the heat gun to low and melt the candle into a circular puddle. Place faux flower in the very center and let harden thoroughly.

To use wax embellishment simply remove from parchment paper. Warm envelope closure with heat gun on low and place seal.
Create a working paint station with all your tools and supplies at the ready for any kind of project, no matter how big or small. We started with a gardener's bench and stocked it with all the supplies necessary for painting an entire room or just a decorative accessory.
Mount a roll of craft paper on the wall behind your work bench and pull down the paper to cover your space for an instant spray station.

The **PaintEATER®** is great for removing paint before repainting or distressing a surface for a vintage look.

The **SMART Mini Roller®** is perfect for painting small spaces. Ideal for small projects like painting furniture drawers and adding decorative stripes.

The **HT3500 Heat Gun** aids in removing wallpaper and floor tiles, and drying painted or glued craft projects quickly.

Keep your **FLEXiO® 890 sprayer** set up for any painting projects you want to get done in a timely manner.

**Also:**

1. Painter’s tape in multiple widths are great for masking off woodwork or creating stripe designs.

2. Essential items include facemasks, paint keys, and Tape and Drape to cover any surfaces that you want to protect while painting.

3. Drop cloths in both fabric and plastic are ideal for covering floors and furnishings.
SPRAYING with CHALK PAINT
We decided on a fresh play of colors to make this vintage highboy dresser a real focal point. The frame is sprayed Provence while the drawers have a pretty coat of Henrietta.
Take a photo of your furniture and print out on paper. Use chalk pastels or water colors to get a real idea of how your finished piece will look.
GREAT PAINT
Chalk paint provides a flat and durable finish for any surface including fabric and cement. Stir the paint well and then simply pour into the sprayer. For the drawers we used the FLEXiO® 890 Detailed Finish Nozzle spray attachment and covered all six pieces with less than half a quart of paint.

To spray the frame of the high boy we covered the drawer openings with craft paper and blue tape to keep paint from being sprayed inside the drawer openings. The FLEXiO® 890 spray attachment was then called back into service and we covered the piece in two coats of Provence with three quarters of a quart of paint. The remnants of the paint covered a bedroom side chair and lamp base.
SPRAY IT!
How to really do it yourself

1. Select furnishings that are in “good shape.” Wobbly legs can be tightened and glued. Fill holes with wood putty and sand. Avoid pieces that have cracked legs or missing veneer.

2. Clean, wash and vacuum the piece thoroughly. Use a tack cloth to remove any additional surface dirt.

3. Before spraying use masking paper or blue painter’s tape to cover any areas that you don’t want to paint.

4. Allow all the pieces to dry thoroughly between coats. Allow piece to dry twenty four hours before re-assembling. Paint fully cures over two weeks time.

Annie Sloan’s Room Recipes for Style and Color is filled with paint ideas and inspiration. Learn more about combining colors and techniques as well as how to decorate and accessorize a room with pillows, art and interesting furnishings. Annie Sloan takes painted furniture from just a utilitarian object to a personalized style statement that makes your decor special and unique.
Up-cycle your style by spraying something you already own to give it a fresh, new facade, or rescue a piece from a thrift shop or landfill exchange. Vintage items retain their usefulness and are made of sturdy and durable materials that really survive the test of time.

Annie Sloan paint expert Amy Chalmers of Maison Decor blog says “Add 20% water to chalk paint when using in the FLEXiO® paint tool—it makes for a smoother finish.”
Once more sedate and neutral, the kitchen and heart of the home gets a fresh paint facelift in a dual color way that makes the space upbeat and fun.
Crisp white trim allows the dual color play to really stand out.
Living with apartment white is fine when you’re just starting out. But once you set down roots it’s time to make your house a home. Color can be daunting at first: Have you seen the paint chip display at your local hardware store?! There are a few ways to get acquainted with color that will gently nudge you away from bright white.

Isolate your favorite color or colors by reviewing your favorite things like clothing, flowers, even the shade of your automobile. Pull tear sheets from rooms you love in magazines or create a pin board online of interiors and objects that inspire you. Create a palette study at home with a collection of items assembled together that you can view and study, add to or edit from.

Two pieces of pottery strike just the right note as a complementary pair. A trip to the paint store yields paint chips that lead to a rug which provides further color inspiration.
Streamlining the process for any paint makeover is all about organization. Make a list of items that will not need painting and employ some of today’s handy products to keep them paint-free during the process. Proper taping and masking will yield excellent results and almost zero touch-ups. Follow our lead for a flawless **FINISH**.

**PAINT PREP**

Use painter’s tape to create the horizontal line between the two colors. Use a measuring tape and pencil to mark off height and then place tape along the defined pencil line.

A wall bracket needs only a wrap with masking paper and some blue tape to remain paint free.

Tape and Drape, painter’s tape and masking paper will be necessary for covering surfaces and woodwork you want to keep paint free.
Tape and Drape will cover windows with ease—keeping your woodwork and window areas free of paint.

Once fully prepared, use the SMART Edge Roller® to cut in paint close to window frames, base boards, wall brackets and cabinetry.

Begin by spraying the upper half of the wall. Let dry thoroughly and remove tape.

To paint bottom half of wall apply tape to the bottom portion of painted line. Cut in again with the SMART Edge Roller®.

Complete by spraying wall with FLEXiO® 890.

The FLEXiO® 890 delivers a clean, even finish in one coat and uses far less paint than a brush and roller.
A shelf mounted on the color line provides a gentle way for the different shades to meet.

**BON APPÉTIT**

Satisfying an appetite for something new, this paint-lift delivers a fresh space to cook, congregate and celebrate. The fresh hues inspire a collection of dishes and pottery as accents and provide a backdrop for a space that is grounded in the homeowner’s style.
Including the cabinet in the dual paint scheme keeps the design streamlined and simple.
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SURPRISE

Paint Party
Close friends gather for a nursery makeover instead of a traditional baby shower. The results are an afternoon of fun, reflection and memorable good times . . . and a stellar surprise for an expectant Mom.

A Wonder-Pure™ Zero-Voc interior paint was used for this bedroom.
Baby showers can be somewhat stale and inactive, especially if in your circle of friends a visit from the stork isn’t that rare. Enter Lindsey Morin and her idea to have a spray day and make over her friend Molly’s spare bedroom as a nursery for her upcoming bundle of joy. Lindsey enlisted the help of mutual friends and planned a morning of painting coupled with an afternoon room reveal and a festive celebration.

“The room reveal is a surprise,” Lindsey said. “But the planning, color palette, and motif are not. We spent time with Molly to figure out her design scheme for the room. She built a mood board online so we were all on the same page as to what she was looking to achieve and how the design would ultimately look.”

READY, SET, SPRAY!
Molly loves yellow and picked a honey bee theme. Family furnishings were upcycled for the room using a zero-voc paint which is safest for the new arrival. Hand-cut stencils out of black mylar are adhered to the wall with low-tack stencil adhesive. Wooden laser-cut flowers are attached to the side of the cupboard with map pins while blue tape is employed to fashion flower stems.
Rebecca has used a FLEXiO® paint sprayer before so was able to lead in getting everything up and running.
“This paint project is so easy,” Lindsey says. “It is so much fun doing it all with your friends.” We decorated facemasks for the actual spraying with little sugar honey bees, and we each took turns spraying the walls and furnishings.”
BUSY BEES
The women prepped the furnishings first and used a fabric drop cloth as a spraying backdrop for the crib and cupboard. “We did everything in one color,” says Rebecca. “It provided a fresh, modern backdrop for pillows, fabrics and furnishings.”

Laser-cut wooden medallions from the crafts store act as instant stencils to dress up the side of a vintage cupboard.

Stencils and painter’s tape makes it super easy to add instant style. Cut your design out of mylar paper and simply stick to the wall with stencil adhesive. Spray over and then remove the stencil to reveal a crisp relief.
Design elements were gathered at local stores with the color palette in mind. The rug was found online at companyc.com.
REFRESHMENT

Once the room is complete and the accessories loaded in, it is time for a celebration. A beehive-shaped cake keeps with the theme. Delicious bites are a mix of sweet and savory. Bee cookies are a pretty take-away for the guests. A honey bee cutter cuts watermelon shapes for fruit salad. Tea punch is made with lemons and raspberries. A plush lion makes its way to the crib. Finger foods are just the right fare for an afternoon of work and fun. Lollipops shine in the glow of the newly decorated nursery.
DIVINE DESIGN
Painted and furnished, the crisp new nursery is a culmination of friendship and fun around creating something special and memorable for all involved. Molly is grateful and calm about bringing her new arrival home to such a happy place.
Yellow is uplifting and illuminating—it inspires hope and light.
Hang some art on a blank wall and you’ve featured an artist’s perspective on the world. **Make your wall a canvas and you’ve given yourself license to personally express yourself.**

With a few supplies, a favorite shade of paint and some unexpected inspiration, your one-time blank space is now a personal reflection of your very own colorful style.
The stylized ball design has color variations in the relief giving the finished look a more dimensional quality.
WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

- place mats or other graphic object that can be used as a stencil
- FLEXiO® 890 sprayer
- push pins
- miter box
- hammer
- small finishing nails
- decorative molding
- flat latex paint

THE PROCESS:

Begin with a light or white painted wall. Add trim molding to frame your design. Arrange place mats or stencil items in preferred design and spray wall to reveal a dynamic relief.

Gain inspiration from anywhere.

We found these Cynthia Rowley woven placemats at a home discount store and began planning our design.
Design... spray... personalized entryway!
MAKE A STATEMENT
Lots of elements can inspire a design. One way to begin is by picking a color that you love and then deciding what kind of statement you want to make. Lis and Keith wanted their entry to be welcoming but also thought provoking. “We love modern art but also wanted something that was very specific to us.” Lis found the place mats and rug at a local discount home decor store. She matched the paint color to a favorite shade in the rug and decided molding would be needed to frame and elevate the design. Once assembled and sprayed, the simple motif reveals a welcoming and impressive statement about the style of the homeowners and their take on design.
Leftover spray washed this industrial planter with color.
Personalize it with paint!
It’s never too early to think about outdoor decor. Here, three designers take up the challenge to personalize an Adirondack chair for the upcoming summer season.
Amy Chalmers has a popular design blog called Maison Decor (maisondecor8.blogspot.com). On it she creates paint finishes for furniture and provides easy how-to instructions for “getting her look.”

“I think relaxing alfresco is such a romantic idea,” Amy says. “I wanted to give my chair the look of a beachy weathered finish with a salt-stung patina. With some floral notes and a cold drink, I feel as if I’m gazing over a sapphire blue ocean.”

**WHAT YOU’LL NEED:**

- FLEXiO® 890 sprayer with Detailed Finish Nozzle
- SMART Edge Roller®
- California Paints Play on Gray
- Annie Sloan chalk paint Old White
- rag
- paint mask

**THE PROCESS:**

Spray the chair first with paint and let dry thoroughly. Fill the SMART Edge Roller® with chalk paint.

Roll over all surfaces of the chair with paint, lightly pressing onto the wood to leave a mottled pattern. Wipe immediately with a clean rag as you are working to spread an uneven wash over the surface. Let dry and enjoy.
Add floral cottage accessories and a cotton rug to complete the look.
“Inspired by garden urns and statues, I thought it would be nice to add classic details to my chair to make it a focal point,” says Matthew. “Like the details on an iron gate or a special garden urn.”

“As a lifestyle guru and designer I am always looking for something new and interesting that takes a piece of furniture from simple to spectacular. I discovered through my friend Amy Chalmers these wonderful latex embellishments called Efex. They are beautiful designs that you add to furnishings to give classic detail and style. For a retailer near you check out efexusa.com.”

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:
- FLEXiO® 890 sprayer with Detailed Finish Nozzle
- SMART Edge Roller®
- Primer 123
- California Paints Play on Gray
- California Paints Bay Fog
- paint mask
- painter’s tape
- plastic drop cloth
- Efex details of your choice

THE PROCESS:
Spray the chair gray and let dry thoroughly. Spray Efex components as well. Cover the parts of the chair that are not to be painted with plastic drop cloth. Tape in place with painter’s tape. Spray exposed parts of the chair with lavender paint. Let dry and remove plastic drop cloth.

Fill SMART Edge Roller® with Primer 123 and roll over Efex latex pieces. The idea is to apply a small amount of white paint that will add contrast to the latex pieces. Apply Efex to the chair with glue according to the manufacturer’s directions. Let dry thoroughly before use.
Add garden statues and ornaments to complete this botanical look.
“I was looking for something crisp and graphic, eye-catching and interesting in my favorite shades of gray and green.” says Sam Henderson of Today’s Nest blog. “Stripes are fun and work well with the vertical lines of the chair back.”

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

- FLEXiO® 890 sprayer with Detailed Finish Nozzle
- SMART Edge Roller®
- California Paints Play on Gray
- California Paints Palm Tree
- paint mask
- painter’s tape

THE PROCESS:

Spray the chair gray and let dry thoroughly. Cover the parts of the chair that are not to be painted with painter’s tape. Roll color onto uncovered back, legs and arm ends of the chair. Let dry and remove painter’s tape.

Sam’s blog (todaysnest.com) is filled with fresh lifestyle ideas for cooking, decorating and DIY projects that fill your home with modern style and design.
A colorful stripe creates contrast and design and helps a simple chair make a statement.
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At Wagner, we have a helpful hot line that will keep you creating by answering any questions about our products. Here are some of the frequently asked questions and answers from our pros.

Can I use a FLEXiO® in my house?
Yes, the technology used to make FLEXiO® work produces very little mess like overspray in the air. And the sprayer is easy to control.

Is the FLEXiO® hard to use and set up?
No, it is very easy to set up, with just two dials that have clear indications of what type of projects go with each setting. Spraying is as easy as pulling the trigger.

How do I know what kinds of paint to use?
That is the beauty of the FLEXiO®: It can spray almost any material, such as primers, paints, and stains, all without the need to thin them first.

SUPPLIES
Replicate our projects with ease using the right tool for the right effect. Here are the Wagner tools we used to create a beautiful Finish.

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Spraying your world your way.

Picking just the right color for your room is far less complicated than you might think. You can scan the paint chip display and chat with a paint mixologist and pour over brochures all you want, but the real choice and decision lies within you. Sometimes it’s a favorite object or piece of clothing that will lead the way, and other times it might be the memory of a place you visited or the shade of the sky at a summer sunset. Do a bit of soul searching and let your mind be free to explore what fits your style and your mood, and how you want to feel when you are relaxing in your home. Painting is a wonderful way to change your world quickly . . . and it’s our goal to help you achieve your look and style easily and help you reach the **FINISH** line.