

	MMS Milk Paint 	General Finishes Milk Paint 
Shine Level	Flat – no shine	Low luster sheen formulated to mimic that of original milk paint
Prep Work	Smooth, glossy, shiny, or oily surfaces need to be cleaned and given a healthy scuff prior to painting with MMSMP.	Cleaning required to remove surface grime/oil and light prep sanding with 220-400 grit sandpaper. Stain blocking primer should be used when painting dark stained pieces with bright white paint.
Pre-Mixed	No	Yes
Powder or Liquid	Powder that is mixed with water to become a liquid	Liquid
Adhesion	<p>Raw Wood – Excellent adhesion. Soaks in more like a stain.</p> <p>Pre-Finished Surfaces – Varies. Should scuff sand prior to painting and random chipping may occur.</p> <p>Shiny/Glossy/Factory Finished Surfaces - Require a healthy scuffing and perhaps the use of Bonding Agent to adhere.</p>	Great adhesion with proper surface prep.
Does it randomly chip?	Sometimes. MMS Milk Paint naturally resists surfaces that are smooth, glossy, shiny, or oily. This random chipping effect provides an authentically old finish that is quite charming!	No. GF Milk Paint is a premium furniture paint that's designed to tighten down quickly with high durability. It will not randomly chip unless the finish has failed due to improper prep.
Can be distressed with sandpaper?	Yes	Yes
Self-Leveling?	Yes	Yes
Topcoat Required?	Yes – Hemp Oil, Waxes, or Tough Coat are options to use.	Not on pieces that will receive low to medium use. Can add a water-based topcoat to pieces that need more protection (i.e. kitchen tables or cabinets) or if additional shine is desired. Exterior topcoat should be used on pieces that will have high exposure to the elements.
Can you paint your kitchen cabinets with it?	Yes if they're unfinished raw wood. Not recommended if they're pre-finished.	Yes
Dry Time	Dry to the touch in 20-40 minutes. Can reapply once paint is dry.	Dry to the touch in 30 minutes depending on temperature and humidity. Can reapply after 2-4 hours.
Preserves Wood Grain and Texture?	Yes	Yes

Viscosity/Consistency	Thin like melted ice cream. Not as thick as modern paints.	Full-bodied paint that has the consistency of what you'd expect from a modern paint.
Container	Pouch with a zip-lock closure	Paint Can
Sizes Available	Testers, Quart, and 2 Quarts	Pint, Quart, and Gallon
Staining	Can be mixed to a thinner consistency and used as a wood stain.	GF offers a large selection of high-quality wood stains. You can also use the Chocolate Brown Milk Paint to simulate the look of wood stain.
Ingredients	5 simple ingredients – Chalk, Clay, Limestone, Pigments, and Powdered Milk Protein (casein). MMS Milk Paint is non-toxic and eco-friendly.	GF's Milk Paint is acrylic-based. It is not a true casein-based Milk Paint, but rather a modern pre-mixed version that is formulated to simulate the low luster of old world paint.
Odor	No VOC's	Low VOC's
Exterior Use	MMSMP can be used outdoors if an exterior-grade sealer is placed over the Milk Paint. The finishes in the MMSMP line are not meant to be used outdoors.	GF's Milk Paint is an exterior rated product and can be used outdoors. It's recommended to use their Exterior 450.
Can it be sprayed?	Yes only if you put it through a very fine sieve to remove any sediment. It's best to apply it with a paintbrush by hand.	Yes. GF's Milk Paint sprays beautifully.
Number of Coats Required	Minimum of 2 for normal/full coverage. Light colors and bright white will require more, especially when applied over dark surfaces.	Minimum of 2 for normal/full coverage. Light colors and bright white will require more, especially when applied over dark surfaces.
Manufacturing Location	Toronto, Canada	Wisconsin, USA
Can it be used to make a chalkboard?	Yes – Use Typewriter black for a traditional black background, or make The Golden Sycamore's Vintage Green Chalkboard Mix using 3 parts Boxwood and 2 parts Artissimo. Season with chalk and wipe dry prior to use. Do not use a topcoat.	No
Summary	MMS Milk Paint is ideal to use on raw wood projects or furniture pieces that have a worn finish. It may randomly chip, providing you with an authentically aged finish. High-gloss and factory finished pieces may prove difficult for adhesion and will require the use of Bonding Agent. Milk Paint soaks in more like a stain than laying on the surface. It is a primitive style of paint that provides a lovely finish with authentic variations in the paint color.	General Finishes is a premium pre-mixed furniture paint designed to set up quickly and provide a long-wearing finish. It is a full-coverage paint that does not randomly chip. It is ideal to use on almost any surface and for any project. It can be used indoors or outdoors and does not require a topcoat on pieces that will receive low to medium use. An exterior topcoat is recommended for pieces that will receive high exposure to the elements.