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GET THE LOOK

HIGH GLOSS

Lacquer gives walls, furniture, and wood a colorful sheen and durable finish. Until recently, it was impossible to get the same luster without resorting to lacquer's expensive, time-consuming process. Today's range of paints and fabrics lets you reproduce the look with minimal time, skill, and cost.

PAINT ISN'T THE ONLY WAY TO ADD SHINE. TRY WRAPPING FURNITURE IN GLOSSY VINYL FABRIC. HOW-TO ON PAGE 22.



“PICK THE COLOR THAT LIGHTS UP YOUR SOUL. IF YOU HAVE A BLOUSE OR A PHOTO OR ART WITH THAT COLOR IN IT, MATCH IT!” INTERIOR DESIGNER ANNIE LOWENGART



USE A CLEAN
MICROFIBER
CLOTH TO
REMOVE DUST
FROM GLASSY
SURFACES.

SHINE ON “Dark colors in a flat finish can feel overwhelming. When you use high gloss, even charcoal feels vibrant,” says San Francisco-area interior designer Annie Lowengart. She proves her point in this energetic home, where she covered the walls of both the sunroom, *above*, and butler’s pantry, *right*, in deep, saturated tones that have high shine.

LIGHT & DARK A super glossy finish reflects light so that even very dark hues feel bright and lively. The flip side is that the finish reveals any imperfections. Do the prep work to smooth the surface before painting.

GO ALL THE WAY Lowengart painted every inch of the walls and trim in the same paint, creating a seamless envelope that’s bold but not chaotic.



RICHMOND GREEN
553 in Advance
high-gloss
Benjamin Moore



FULL GLOSS NAVY
Hollandac Brilliant,
available through Fine
Paints of Europe