

# Easy DIY Fireplace Makeover

with Purdy®

## Before you start: **Gather supplies.**

- 2" or 2.5" Chinex® Elite™ Brush
  - Marathon® 4" x 1/2" Jumbo Mini Roller Covers
  - 12" Jumbo Mini Roller Frame
  - Crisscross Wire Brush
  - Mini paint tray
  - TSP cleaner
  - Gloves
  - Oil-based, stain-blocking primer
  - Paint
  - Tape
  - Drop cloth
  - Rags
- For the mantle (optional):**
- 2.5" or 3" White Bristle Brush
  - 2" or 2.5" Syntox™ Brush
  - Wood stain, like Minwax® Wood Finish
  - Clear coat



## STEP 1: Clean the brick.

Use the crisscross wire brush to remove any loose dirt and soot.

Following package instructions, use TSP cleaner to remove stubborn stains. This step will ensure the paint adheres properly to the surface. Rinse and allow to dry.

## STEP 2: Tape.

Tape off the firebox and the surrounding trim. Place a drop cloth on the floor

## STEP 3: Apply primer.

Use your Chinex® Elite™ brush to cut in and around the perimeter and paint between the bricks. Chinex Elite has durable stiff bristles that are perfect for rough surfaces.

**» Helpful tip: Do not apply primer or paint to the interior firebox of your fireplace; only exterior brick can be coated.**

Use your Marathon® mini roller to apply primer to the face of the brick. Marathon's knitted fabric provides excellent coverage on rough, porous surfaces.

## STEP 4: Apply paint.

Apply paint around the edges and between the bricks using your Chinex Elite brush.

Use your Marathon mini roller to paint the face of the brick. Marathon is great for both oil- and water-based paint or primer formulas.

**» Helpful tip: Depending on the paint you're using, you may need 2-3 coats to receive results you want. Always follow product label instructions for recoat and full dry times.**

## STEP 5: Remove tape.

Carefully remove the tape and let the paint dry completely before moving on to staining the mantle

## STEP 6: Stain the mantle.

Use your White Bristle brush to apply stain in the direction of the grain. These brushes have natural bristles that are ideal for oil-based stains.

**» Helpful tip: Always read label instructions. Stain colors may look different on different types of wood. Test the color on a scrap piece of wood or in an inconspicuous area to better visualize the final result.**

Work in the direction of the grain. Let the stain soak in (the product label will tell you for how long). Wipe off excess stain with a clean rag.

**» Helpful tip: When covering a large surface, work in sections, wiping the excess stain as you go to ensure even color. Change the rag often. You may add a second coat for a deeper color. Follow label directions for recoat times.**

## STEP 7: Apply clear coat.

Once the stain is fully dry, use your Syntox™ brush to apply a clear protective coat. Syntox has extra-soft bristles that create a very smooth finish with no brush marks.

Once the clear coat is fully dry, remove any remaining tape and add some decorative pieces to your newly transformed fireplace.

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