#### **HOW TO PAINT:**

# **Exterior Bricks**

## **CHECKLIST**

- O BROOM OR BRUSH
- O HIGH PRESSURE WATER HOSE
- O WALL BRUSH 63MM
- O ROLLER 15-20MM
- O ROLLER POLE
- O PAINT TRAY
- MASKING TAPE
- O DROP SHEET
- O CLEANING SOLUTION
- O LADDER
- O BRITISH PAINTS 4 SEASONS
- O BRITISH PAINTS PREP 4 IN 1
- O PAINT STIRRER

#### Step 1: Brick Preparation

- Clean surrounding area, then remove dirt or flaking paint from the wall, using a high pressure hose.
- Then give the wall a final brush to remove any missed dirt, dust or cobwebs.
- Mask any areas you don't want painted.
- Lay drop sheets where required.

### Step 2: Paint Preparation

- Stir your paint with a flat stirrer.



If you don't have a paint stirrer, use an old ruler.

 Your brush and roller soak up more paint when they're damp, so wash them prior to use.

### Step 3: Application

- Begin by cutting in with a brush.
- Start at the top, then bottom, and go around any edges or features.



We recommend painting in weather between 10-30°C.

- Keep a wet edge by not cutting in too early before using the roller.
- Once you've finished cutting in, start painting with the roller
- Load the roller. Make sure you have an even cover of paint around the roller sleeve before you begin.



If your roller doesn't spin evenly, then the paint is uneven and you need to load up again.

#### Application (cont.)

 Start rolling from bottom to top moving from one side of the wall to the other. Never start in the middle.



Use a roller pole to reach further with each stroke.

 Because of the difference in finish between brush and roller, get as close as you can to where you cut in.



Load up your roller more often so you don't have to work as hard.

- Each time you finish a three to four metre section you need to lay off your paint.
- Do this by rolling the roller, without stopping to load up, from the top of the wall to the bottom in one straight stroke.
- Then continue along the length of the painted wall taking care to slightly overlap so you don't cause streaks.
- It's important you maintain a wet edge and complete an entire section of wall before stopping so your finish isn't patchy.



If the edge dries it may create a line in your finish.

 Allow a minimum two hours drying time before applying a second coat.

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