

PURDY QUALITY

Purdy professional grade brushes and roller covers are made to exacting standards using only the finest quality components. These tools are the favorites of professional painters, with about 70% of painters in America using Purdy products to earn their livelihood. Purdy tools not only paint better when new, but will keep doing so for years of professional use if properly cared for. Proper cleaning is the most important thing you can do to lengthen the life of your Purdy professional painting tool.

This booklet of information has been assembled to enable you to get the very most out of your investment in fine painting tools. The reverse side of this booklet contains information about applying paint with Purdy rolling products, and how to get the most out of those tools.

PDCA (Painting and Decorating Contractors of America)

The PDCA is developing industry standards, industry-specific publications and programs essential to the painting and decorating industry. From business management publications, to training and reference videos, to health and safety manuals, they are continually providing the resources needed to manage a successful painting company. The PDCA standards benefit the painting and decorating industry and the entire construction and design community.



PURDY PROFESSIONAL BRUSHES

Painters rely on Purdy tools for:

- SMOOTHER "NO DRAG" BRUSH STROKES and EXCELLENT PAINT DISTRIBUTION
- SUPERB PAINT LIFTING CAPACITY
- BETTER OVERALL COVERAGE WITH LESS EFFORT
- GREATER EFFICIENCY IN PRODUCTION
- OUTSTANDING FINISH APPEARANCE
- FAMOUS PURDY "CUTTING-IN" CAPABILITY
- PROVEN DURABILITY

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Purdy® produces only the highest quality painting tools. Our meticulously handcrafted brushes and roller covers have been the choice of professionals for over 80 years. Now we want to be your first choice for all your painting projects. You might ask, "Aren't all brushes and rollers the same?" No, they are not. Each Purdy brush is an individually built instrument designed, formulated and handcrafted for maximum painting performance. Our attention to detail in the manufacturing processes make Purdy brushes the industry standard among tool manufactures.

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BRUSH CARE

1. Store Purdy brushes in the yellow “keeper” package they’re sold in.

Each custom-designed Purdy brush package is engineered to fit a particular brush and to apply the correct pressure on all sides while it’s stored, to keep its shape. Every model of Purdy brush is built with its own “chisel” (shape of the tip) to perform a certain job, and the keeper helps keep it that shape. Straighten the filaments with a Purdy brush comb before putting the brush away in the keeper. Remember to gently spin out the excess moisture before storing it in the keeper. Excessive dampness can cause the package to deteriorate over time.



2. Clean brushes immediately after using them to avoid paint buildup on the inside.

Paint can get a tight grip if not cleaned out completely, and soon. Paint can build up on the inside (heel hardening) and it's difficult to see and harder to get at. So time is of the essence. In fact, many painters actually wash their brushes out in the middle of the workday. It keeps paint from building up down deep, and gives the brush – and the painter – a fresh start on the afternoon's work.



3. How to clean brushes made with synthetic filaments.

Synthetic brushes can be used with virtually all paints, but are most often used to apply today's faster-drying water-base paints. So it is particularly important that they be cleaned immediately after use to prevent paint from hardening in hard-to-reach areas. Warm to hot water and mild soap are the best cleaning agents for most situations. More than one washing is often required and a brush comb is helpful to remove stubborn paint residue. Occasionally a bath of thinner or mineral spirits, followed by a warm, soapy water wash and clean water rinse may be necessary after normal cleaning procedures. Finally, the brush should be combed with the brush comb, allowed to dry thoroughly, and stored in the yellow keeper package it came in.

4. How to clean brushes made with natural bristle.

Natural bristle brushes are best suited for use with oil-base paints and stains, varnishes, lacquers and shellacs. It is important to clean the brush as soon as possible after use, and to follow the paint manufacturers cleaning instructions found on the paint can regarding the best solvent to use. Work the solvent through the bristles, dipping up and down in the container several times. Take special care to work the solvent into the center of the brush and down to the ferrule (metal band). Dry thoroughly before storing in the yellow brush keeper it came in, which will help the bristles retain their perfect shape.

5. One secret to long brush life: A Purdy brush comb cleans from the inside out.

A Purdy brush comb is helpful in removing stubborn paint residue down deep that's hard to see. The brush comb speeds the cleaning process and helps you do a more thorough cleaning job. Insert the brush comb at the ferrule line and draw it the length of the bristle or filament. This will eliminate paint buildup on the inside (heel hardening) and will keep the brush clean from the inside out. The brush comb also straightens the filaments or bristles so they dry straight and retain their original shape.



6. Never soak brushes in water, solvents or other liquids.

This can cause them to lose their shape, and can cause the handle to shrink and expand, causing the brush head to loosen. Instead, clean brushes immediately. The faster you get the paint out, the easier the job will be and the more paint you'll remove.



7. Try not to switch between water-base and oil-base paints.

Chemicals from oil-base and water-base (latex) paints repel each other and can cause a real mess when starting the next job. Purdy recommends marking brushes either “water” or “oil,” and using them in one or the other consistently. However, if you must use the same brush for both oil and water-base painting, wash thoroughly with soap and water after painting, rinse thoroughly, and allow to dry completely. You may

have to repeat this process in order to get the brush perfectly clean and ready for its next use.

8. Brushes should never be hammered to remove paint residue.

If the brush's ferrule is bent, it can twist the filaments or bristles, preventing them from ever painting properly again.



9. Store Purdy brushes either hanging by the handle or on their side.

Remember that brushes should never be stood on their painting tip. That can cause them to twist or “finger,” making them incapable of doing their job. For storage, brushes should be hung up by the hole in the handle or stored laying flat in their keeper, with nothing pressing against them. Of course, never store brushes with any wet paint on them. As the paint dries, it adheres to the filaments or bristles and ruins the brush.



10. Match the brush to the paint and the job.

High quality synthetic filament brushes can be used to brush either oil-base or water-base finishes and are great all-around brushes. These painting tools are made with various filament blends to perform various painting jobs. 100% nylon brushes offer high abrasion resistance, while a blend of nylon and polyester retains its stiffness better in heat or humidity. Natural bristle brushes work best in solvent-base materials. Although they paint well, bristle brushes do not have the abrasion-resistance -- hence long life -- of today's high quality synthetic filament brushes. Be sure to use the correct Purdy brush for the job you're doing. Ask your Purdy retailer for help in choosing the right Purdy paint applicators.

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