



## Faux Finishing: Bricking

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Creating the look of a brick wall in your home is easy! This technique adds dimension and texture to a plain wall in the kitchen or around a fireplace. Best of all, you can use any color combination that suits your color scheme!

### Step 1: Paint Surface

Apply a base coat of EZ-Kare Latex Flat enamel and allow it to dry. Remember that this will be the background color that will represent the grout between the bricks.

### Step 2: Measure the Paint

In separate mixing paint pots, measure about a 1/2-cup of each paint colors you chose for the bricks.

### Step 3: Outline the Wall

Draw a light horizontal pencil line on the surface so the bricks will appear straight. Try using a level to help you achieve a straighter horizontal effect if the walls are not perfectly plumb.

### Materials Checklist

**Note: Amounts given will cover  
100-sq.ft. of surface.**

- 1 quart of EZ-Kare Latex Flat enamel for the base coat (your color choice)
- Paint brushes & rollers
- Paint tray & liner
- Measuring cup
- Mixing paint pots
- Pencil
- Level
- 2 or 3 rectangular sponges
- Dish of water
- 1 quart EZ-Kare enamel in any color or finish (choose up to 3 colors – if desired)
- Paper towels



**Tip:** First practice your spacing technique on cardboard to perfect a brick-layering look.

### Step 4: Apply Paint with Sponge

Dampen the sponge in water and wring it out well. Dip the small block end of the sponge into the paint and blot off the excess onto paper towels until almost dry.

### Step 5: Create the Brick-Look

Apply the sponge to the surface creating a brick effect; staggering each row. Make sure to clean the sponge from time to time for easier and less messy application.

### Step 6: Alternate Colors

Alternate between paint colors every other row for variation in the bricks until you have completed the surface.