

 **Dixie Belle**  
Paint Company

# HOW TO BOOK



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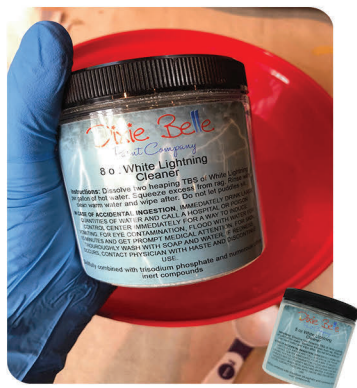
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# DIXIE BELLE PAINT

Dixie Belle Paint was born out of the belief that creating beautiful, timeless pieces should be easy, unintimidating and fun. Our line of Chalk Mineral Paint has adhesive qualities designed to eliminate the need to sand, prime or seal!

## WHITE LIGHTNING CLEANER

- Using gloves, mix two tablespoons of White Lightning with one gallon of hot water.
- Squeeze excess from cloth and wipe down your piece.
- With a new cloth and clean water wipe down again.
- Your piece is now free of dirt, grease, and grime!



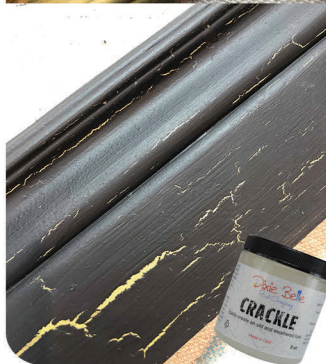
## DIXIE BELLE CHALK MINERAL PAINT

- Clean with White Lightning.
  - Dampen your brush and paint!
  - Darker colors usually need only one coat, but lighter colors may need two coats.
  - Your first coat is dry by the time you are ready for the second coat.
- TIP: Use the \*Finishing Pad to buff the surfaces for a silky smooth finish.

## STENCILS

- Clean with White Lightning.
- Apply Dixie Belle Paint or Clear Coat for a base; allow to dry.
- Place a stencil over your project and secure with painter's tape.
- Apply a thin, even layer of paint with a brush or sponge.
- Remove tape and gently lift stencil.





## CRACKLE – CRACKED, AGED EFFECTS

- Apply one coat of Dixie Belle Paint in the color you want to crackle.
- If natural wood is desired as the base, apply one coat of Clear Coat and let dry.
- Stir Dixie Belle Crackle and apply.
- The thicker the application, the larger the cracks. Use a cross-hatch brush stroke to create erratic and wide cracks.
- DO NOT back brush; this will disturb the cracking process.
- Allow the Crackle to dry completely.
- Apply a top coat of any Dixie Belle Paint color.
- The cracking process begins as the paint dries.
- Let dry completely 24 hours.
- Do not thin the Crackle medium.

## SEA SPRAY – TEXTURE ADDITIVE

SEA SPRAY is used to create a chippy, textured, weathered, sun-kissed look!

- Mix two scoops of Sea Spray with 8oz. of Dixie Belle Paint.
- You want a thick, brownie batter-like consistency.
- Using a brush, dab and smooth the bristles to form crests and peaks.
- Once tacky, gently brush down the crests and peaks, creating texture.
- For more dimension, when dry, simply add another paint color or glaze of your choice and sand!



**CLEAR COAT**  
**(WATER-RESISTANT)**  
**SATIN (Semi-gloss)**  
**GLOSS (Shiny)**  
**FLAT (Matte)**

- Allow Dixie Belle Paint to dry completely.
- Using a damp brush, apply a thin coat of Clear Coat.
- For added protection, apply another coat after one hour.
- You can add up to three very thin coats.
- Dixie Belle Clear Coat can be cleaned using a non-abrasive cleaner after seven days.

**GATOR HIDE**  
**(WATER-REPELLENT)**

- Allow Dixie Belle Paint to dry completely.
- Using a dry sponge, apply one coat of Gator Hide.
- Let dry completely.
- Apply another coat after 2 hours.
- You can add up to three very thin coats.
- A 48-hour dry time is recommended.
- Great for table tops, kitchen cabinets, and counter tops!

**\*FINISHING**  
**PAD (Silky Finish)**

**\*SANDING**  
**SPONGE (Smooth Finish 150 Grit)**





### BEST DANG WAX

- Allow Dixie Belle Paint to dry completely.
- Apply a layer of Best Dang Wax with a cloth or brush.
- Allow 15-20 minutes to set, then buff with a clean, lint free cloth.
- You may distress before or after waxing.



### EASY PEASY SPRAY WAX

- Allow Dixie Belle Paint to dry completely.
- Shake well and mist over a small area.
- Let stand for 30 seconds.
- Wipe with lint free cloth.
- Apply a second or third coat if desired.
- Use Easy Peasy Spray Wax on fabric.

TIP: Use the \*Sanding Sponge inbetween coats of paint when painting fabric.



### DIXIE DIRT

- Apply wax and allow 5-10 minutes to tack up.
- Using a clean brush, dip into Dixie Dirt and brush over the surface, especially the nooks and crannies.
- Wait a few minutes and brush off the unstuck dirt.
- Using a lint free cloth, very gently buff your piece.
- Work from the middle out to the edges so you get a nicely worn look.

## GILDING WAX

- Allow Dixie Belle Paint to dry completely.
- Apply Gilding Wax with your finger, cloth, sponge or brush.
- Let dry 30-60 minutes.
- Lightly buff after twelve hours to produce a beautifully gilded finish.
- If the lid is left off and material becomes dry, add a little paint thinner or mineral spirits and mix.



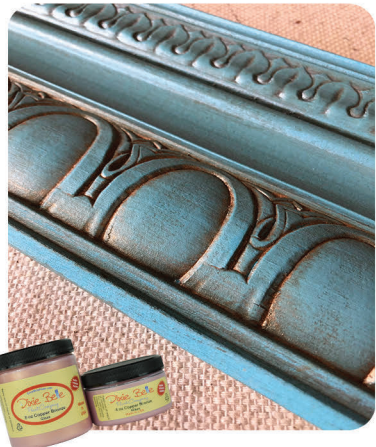
## METALLIC CHALK MINERAL PAINT

- Clean with White Lightning.
- Apply Metallic Base Coat.
- You may need two or three coats of the Base Coat.
- Once dry, you can add a layer of the Top Coat.
- The Top Coat is the shimmery layer that makes the color pop!

## GLAZE

- Clean with White Lightning.
- Apply Dixie Belle Paint or Clear Coat for a base, allow to dry.
- Apply glaze in small sections using a brush or a cloth.
- Wipe away excess glaze or add more if necessary!

NOTE: You can apply Glaze to a clean surface, a Dixie Belle Painted surface, or a Clear Coated surface.



## PATINA COLLECTION – RUSTY, WEATHERD EFFECTS

- Clean with White Lightning.

### APPLY BASE COAT

- All surfaces: apply a coat of Dixie Belle Paint; let dry.
- Metal surfaces: apply a coat of Prime Start.

Prime Start contains an acid blocker to stop the rust/patina from “eating” through the Patina Paint and degrading the metal.

### APPLY PATINA PAINT

- **SHAKE WELL!** Patina Paint is full of metal, which will sink to the bottom.
- Apply one coat of Patina Paint; let dry.
- Apply a second coat of Patina Paint.

### APPLY PATINA SPRAY

- While the second coat of Patina Paint is **STILL WET**, apply Patina Spray.
- You can spray it on or apply with a brush.
- It can take 2-6 hours to reach full effect.
- No sealing necessary but it can be sealed with Gator Hide after 48 hours.
- If it has a “chalky” feel and the patina rubs off, run a damp rag over the surface and let dry.



## BOSS - BLOCKS ODORS, STAINS, STOPS BLEED THRU

BOSS tackles tough stains including bleed thru, smoke, nicotine, felt tip marker, tannins, and it also seals smoke odors.

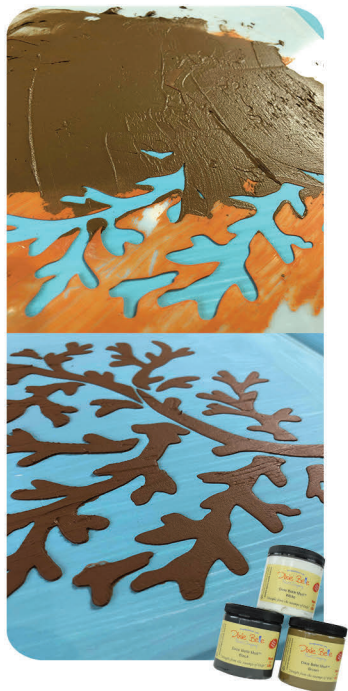
- Clean with White Lightning.
- NOTE: Must be thoroughly dry prior to painting.
- Apply BOSS and allow to dry for 1 hour.
- Apply a second coat and allow to dry.
- Wait 1 hour and then paint with Dixie Belle Chalk Mineral Paint.
- Clean up using soap and warm water.
- Warning! Harmful if swallowed; keep away from eyes, and children.



## SLICK STICK – GRIPPER FOR SLIPPERY SURFACES

SLICK STICK allows you to paint shiny, slick or slippery surfaces with ease!

- Clean with White Lightning following directions.
- NOTE: Must be thoroughly dry prior to painting.
- Apply one coat of Slick Stick; allow to dry for 2-3 hours.
- Apply second coat of Slick Stick; allow to dry overnight.
- Paint!



## DIXIE MUD

**NOTE:** NEVER rinse the mud down your drain. Clean utensils with baby wipes or paper towels and throw away.

### REPAIRS

- Dixie Mud can fill veneer, gouges, scrapes or even holes.

### EMBELLISHMENT

- Place a stencil over your project and secure with painter's tape.
- Using your mud spatula, spread the mud over your stencil in an even layer.
- Scrape excess back into jar.
- Remove tape and stencil.

### SPECIAL EFFECTS

- Spread Dixie Mud over a flat surface and use stamps, leaves or even burlap to create impressions and other interesting elements in the mud.

## NO PAIN GEL STAIN

This stain is oil-based and will have deeper, fuller coverage.

## VOODOO GEL STAIN

This stain is water-based and is a little more translucent than the No Pain Gel Stain.

- You can use both stains on painted or unpainted surfaces.
- Both stains can be applied with a lint free cloth, paint brush or paint sponge.
- Test the stain on a small area to make sure it is the color you want.
- Start out with a small amount and then apply more depending on the shade you are looking for. Less is more!
- Voodoo Gel Stain is water-based and will dry in 15 minutes.
- No Pain Gel Stain is oil-based and will take 3-5 days to dry.

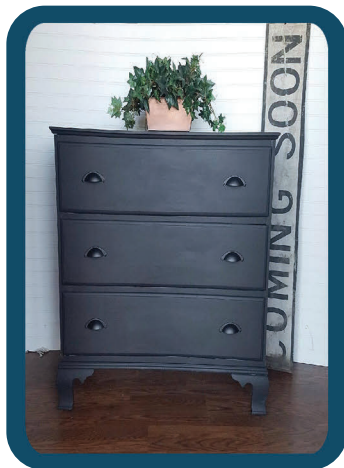




## Our Story

Suzanne Fulford, Founder of Dixie Belle Paint Company, started her journey as an enthusiastic DIYer with a passion for cultivating and creating beautiful, timeless pieces that brought new life to old, tired, and forgotten furniture. Her passion for restoration became far more than a hobby. She discovered that the art of painting and restoring neglected furniture and antiques brought her true peace of mind. Suzanne found that the traditional restoration tasks of sanding, scraping, and priming were extremely time consuming and just plain hard work! Known as a “Mad Scientist” by her family and friends, she set out to create a line of chalk mineral paint that is high quality, easy and unintimidating to use. Most importantly, Dixie Belle Paint is priced so that every DIYer can create and discover the joy of painting. Her family-owned and operated paint company champions these small-town values with her employees and retailers. Dixie Belle Paint can be found in many small, local community stores throughout the continental United States, Canada, and Singapore.

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