## How to Apply Embossing Medium

Embossing Medium is an opaque acrylic plaster that is used to create three dimensional effects and texture on furniture and cabinets. This product has great adhesion capabilities and can be used directly over Paint Couture! or most previously painted surfaces. If the surface is very shiny lightly rough it up with 220 grit sandpaper.

*Grass Cloth Effect:* Apply Embossing Medium with a Behr Trowel or Japan Trowel. Use a small wallpaper brush to drag horizontal lines in the plaster let dry. Apply a thin layer of Embossing Medium then drag the wallpaper brush in the opposite direction until the desired effect is achieved. Allow the texture to dry thoroughly, this may take 6 to 24 hours depending on the thickness. Clean up is with soap and water.

If desired, lightly sand off any rough spots. Paint over the texture with Paint Couture as desired.

*The Two-Toned Effect*: Paint first color covering 70% of the surface, then dry brush the second color randomly.

*Raised Plaster Stencil:* Use a Mylar stencil that is at least 10ml thick. Spray the back of your stencil with Stencil Ease or Martha Stewart's Repositionable Stencil Adhesive and allow to dry at least 5 minutes. Place the stencil on the furniture and secure with Blue Tape. Apply the Embossing Medium using a low angle (almost flat)Behr trowel, pull off excess and allow to dry thoroughly, this may take 4 to 24 hours depending on the thickness. Clean up is with soap and water.

Experiment on sample boards to create your own unique texture using different brushes, rollers and tools!

Embossing Medium can also be used very effectively to fill cracks and recesses in damaged pieces and adheres better than wood putty in thin applications. Apply Embossing Medium with a trowel or scraper over damaged areas, building several thin layers to allow proper drying and avoid cracking. Embossing Medium shrinks slightly as it dries, so over-fill cracks and recesses. Sand smooth and paint as usual.

*This product may be tinted* by adding 10% of any Paint Couture! color, in the 16 oz. packaging, this translates into 1 1/2 ounces of paint. It may also be thinned with 10% water.

This product is considered low VOC and contains 40g/l of VOC's. www.paintcouture.com