



## The Monsta Primer, Sealer, Undercoat has these features:

- 3 in one Primer, Sealer and Undercoat
- Improves coverage and efficiency of Monsta paints applied over
- Easy to apply and easy clean up/washability
- Excellent hiding power
- Blocks tannins from timber
- Can be used for internal and external applications
- Low odour
- Low VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds)...meaning you won't grow 3 eyes or have your hair turn green
- Mould and fungi inhibitor
- Anti-bacterial properties
- No lead and the dried film is non-toxic

**Sizes:** 1 and 4 litre

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## Helpful info on how to paint the Monsta way:

**Surface preparation** is one of the most important stages of your paint job. Firstly, ensure the surface you are painting is dry, clean and free of any surface contaminants or particles. Even though walls may look clean, we recommend wiping down using a mild detergent and rinse wash with water to give a good clean. Paint bonds best to a clean surface.

If walls are existing or aged, ensure all loose or flaking paint is first removed. Complete any patching or repairs needed before sanding back to ensure the wall is even and as smooth as possible. We suggest using Monsta Sugar Soap to give a thorough clean on surfaces that are existing. It is important that any efflorescence (salt) or mould on masonry or concrete surfaces is removed and treated.

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**Painting with Prep Seal** – Our Monsta Prep Seal is recommended to be used on plaster board and wall board surfaces, plaster walls, rendered walls and timber. For external applications we recommended using Prep Seal over new and previously unpainted surfaces. Applying over existing painted surfaces can be considered when required to overcoat dark coloured surfaces with a lighter paint tone finish.

Prep Seal performs as a 3 in 1 paint primer, sealer and undercoat helping to create a great paint finish on all surfaces it is applied to. It also ensures the walls are not too absorbent and you don't use more Monsta Makeover Interior and Exterior paints than needed. 1 litre of Monsta Prep Seal will cover up to 16m<sup>2</sup> however on porous and absorbent surfaces, e.g. plasterboard walls, this coverage could be reduced to 10m<sup>2</sup> so take into account the nature of your surface when estimating quantity needed. In normal drying conditions of 23<sup>o</sup>C and 50% RH, Prep Seal will dry in approx. 2 hours to then allow painting. If preferred, you can apply Monsta Prep Seal one day and paint over it the next.

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**How much Prep Seal do I need?** – Prep seal can be applied in 1 coat. Work out the total square metres (m<sup>2</sup>) of area you need to paint and calculate your paint requirements based on 1 litre of Prep Seal per 16m<sup>2</sup>. Remember if you have absorbent or rough surfaces the coverage will be reduced.

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**Before using remember to stir** – we always recommend to stir paint before using. Stir using a flat paint stirrer in a circular upward motion for 1-2 minutes.

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**Painting** – Apply 1 coat of Prep Seal using a brush, roller or spray unit. You should see a uniform coverage of paint on the surface you have coated. Avoid brushes and rollers from drying out, when not using for extended periods keep in water then rinse dry before re-using. To help get the Monsta finish we offer Monsta brushes and rollers in our Paint Shop.

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**Painting over** – Before painting with Monsta Makeover Interior or exterior paints, ensure the Prep Seal coat applied is dried. In normal drying conditions of 23°C and 50% RH, allow 2 hours before painting over. When using Prep Seal over timber, to be certain tannins are blocked, the Prep Seal should be allowed to dry for 24 hours before painting over with Monsta Paint.

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**Temperature guide** – It is recommended to not apply paint when surface temperatures are below 10°C or greater than 35°C. Avoid applying paint in extreme humidity.

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**Clean up** – Although our paints are water based, wash up away from drains. Tools and accessories will wash up with water before the paint has dried. Don't pour left over paint down the drain. If not storing, brush out onto newspaper or absorb onto saw dust and let dry to then throw out as general waste. Empty Monsta pails make great storing pails for all types of things at home or in the garden shed. Wash out and re-use where possible, if you are disposing we suggest you to send them to plastic recyclers

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#### **Important information to take note of:**

- Surface preparation is one of the most important steps for creating the best paint job as detailed above.
  - Pay attention to the temperature when painting. Do not use at temperatures below 10°C or if the surface temperature you've painted will fall below 10°C when the paint is drying.
  - Monsta paint is dry anywhere between 30 minutes – 2 hours however the walls should not be washed until after 1 week to ensure the paint film has fully cured.
  - Monsta Prep Seal is suitable for both internal and external use. Check out our Makeover paints for interior and exterior paint finishes.
  - This paint should not be used on walls where temperatures will get up over 70°C.
  - Do not use any solvents or alcohol cleaners over the dried wall surface as this will break down the paint surface.
  - Even for the best of painters we recommend using protective eye glasses, gloves and clothing that doesn't expose arms and legs when painting.
  - Keep out of reach of children, we recommend the common sense approach when using and storing your paint.
  - With cleaning up, please read our clean up section again. We do care for the environment.
  - If paint gets in your eye, flush your open eye with running water for 10-15 minutes; if swallowed rinse mouth with water and then drink a glass of water. For any poisoning concerns contact your doctor or the Poisons Information Centre on 131 126.
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