



# FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint?**

FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint is a water-based and non-toxic acrylic paint for use on glass and other sealed surfaces that dries to a translucent and pebbled finish, simulating the look of frosted beach glass. Once cured, glass surfaces painted with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint can be washed by hand.

### **On what types of surfaces can I use FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint?**

Many surfaces can be decorated with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint: glassware, clear acrylic, clear Lucite, clear rigid plastics, mirrors, and glazed ceramics. Surfaces such as clear acrylic, Lucite, and rigid plastic should be decorated and kept for decorative purposes only, as these surfaces cannot be baked to cure the paint to the surface; moreover, these surfaces should also be cleaned with a damp rag only.

### **How should I prepare surfaces before painting with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint?**

To prepare a surface before painting with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint, make sure you've thoroughly cleaned it for best paint adhesion prior to painting. Wash the surface well in warm, soapy water. Next, thoroughly rinse it with clean water and then allow to dry. Wipe over the clean surface with rubbing alcohol to remove any remaining dirt, grease, and soap residue.

### **What are the best tools to use when working with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paints?**

The best tools for using FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint are dense foam applicators such as sponges, cubes, wedges, pouncers, daubers, and foam brushes.

### **What is the best way to apply FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint?**

The best way to apply FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint is with a dense foam applicator such as a sponge, foam cube, or foam brush. Squeeze a small amount of paint out onto a palette, then dab the applicator into the puddle of paint. Dab a clean spot on the palette a few more times to offload excess paint. Once the applicator has been loaded, lightly pat the surface to create a light coat, then allow to dry one hour. Once dry, an additional application can be painted to deepen the color. When completely dry, the paint creates a soft, pebbly effect.

### **Can I mix two FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paints to achieve a new color or different value of the same color?**

Yes, FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paints can be intermixed with one another to create a new color. Mixing small quantities at a time, pour a small amount of each color to be mixed onto a palette, and then using a palette knife, mix one color into the other until the desired combination has been achieved.

**Can FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint be used permanently on glass or ceramic surfaces and be washable?**

Yes, FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint can be used permanently on glass or glazed ceramic surfaces. Once the surface has been decorated and cured in the oven, the paint is permanently adhered and can be washed by hand.

**Does FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint hold up well on outdoor surfaces?**

Yes, FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint can be used on outdoor surfaces once cured, providing the surface itself can withstand outdoor elements.

**Can I use water to thin FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint?**

No, do not use water to thin FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint, as water will compromise the integrity of the paint and prevent the paint from adhering properly to the surface.

**Can FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint be used with other paint products?**

No, direct mixing of FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint with other paint products will compromise the color, the finish, and ability to maintain the soft translucent effect.

**How should I clean my applicator tools after using FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint?**

After using FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint, clean your applicator tools with mild soap and warm water.

**How long does it take FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint to dry and cure?**

FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint dries to the touch within 1–2 hours, depending on thickness of application; when using heavier applications of paint or working in a high humidity area, the paints can take longer to dry. Once dry, your glass surface must be baked in the oven to fully cure the paint to the surface.

**What is the best way to cure FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint?**

FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint applied to glassware must to be cured in oven, according to the directions below.

1. Allow painted item to dry for 24 hours to be sure all layers of paint have dried.
2. Place project in a cool oven, as the glass must heat gradually with the oven to avoid breakage; do not place glass in a hot oven.
3. Set oven temperature to 350°F.
4. Once temperature has reached 350°F, allow the project to bake for 30 minutes.
5. After 30 minutes, turn the oven off and let glass cool down completely before removing from the oven.
6. Do not use for 72 hours.

**If my surface painted with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass cannot withstand high heat, how should I cure my project?**

When decorating a non-bakeable surface, such as clear acrylics or a mirror, allow the decorated project to air cure for 28 days; note also that such surfaces should be kept for decorative purposes only.

**Is a project created using FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint washable?**

Yes, projects painted on glassware or glazed ceramics using FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paints that have been oven-cured can be washed by hand with warm water and a mild soap. Do not allow painted projects to soak in water for extended periods of time, and do not wash such surfaces in a dishwasher, as that may impact the integrity of the paint.

**Is a project created using FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint microwave-safe?**

No, projects created with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint are not microwave-safe.

**Are dinnerware or drinkware decorated with FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paint safe for use with food or drink?**

Although FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass is water-based and non-toxic, it should never be applied to an area where food or drink can come in direct contact with the paint. For dinnerware, either apply the paint to the backside of the dish—keeping the front free of paint and available for food use—or apply the paint to only the rim of the front side of the dish, keeping the center free for food service. For drinkware, make sure to leave a ¼” rim around the top of the drinking vessel free of paint. Regardless of the method used, make sure also to oven-cure the surface prior to use.

**Can FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paints be used in humid areas?**

Yes, FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass Paints can be used in humid areas; the humidity will not impact the paint's adhesive properties.

**Do I need to seal FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass paint?**

No, it is not necessary to seal a painted surface when using FolkArt Enamels Frosted Glass paints, as the paint dries to a permanent finish.