







Project: How to Paint Outdoor Furniture

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Revive old outdoor furniture with a fresh coat of paint

I have owned this outdoor dining table set for more than 15 years. The green color had faded and no longer coordinated with my other outdoor furnishings. Instead of buying a whole new set, I decided to tackle this home improvement project myself. Boy, am I glad that I did! With a couple coats of fresh paint and ScotchBlue[™] Tape, I brought life to my old dining set!

Supply List:

- ScotchBlue[™] Painter's Tape
- Newspaper
- Drop cloths
- Sanding block with mediumgrit sandpaper
- Spray paint I used about 4 cans for 6 chairs and a table
- Small-tip paintbrush for touch-ups
- Buckets of soapy water and scrub brush to clean surfaces

Step 1

Before painting my chairs, I ran a sanding block on all metal surfaces to help paint adhesion, then scrubbed them down with cleaner and let dry.

Cover the slings with ScotchBlue[™] Tape and newspaper. Place the painter's tape right up to the edge of the metal frame of the chairs. To make sure the tape is sealed and locked into place, run your fingertip over the edge of the tape.







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Step 2

Once the tops and undersides of the chairs are covered, they are ready for paint. Be sure to paint in a well-ventilated area and always wear a mask so you don't breathe in the fumes or overspray.

Spray two light coats on each chair, letting the first coat dry overnight before applying the second.

Once the second coat is dry, look over the chairs and table for any small areas you may have missed and touch-up.

Step 3

Remove the ScotchBlue[™] Tape and newspaper. If you missed any small spots where the sling meets the top of the chair frame, use a small piece of painter's tape to mask the sling, then use a small-tipped paint brush to carefully brush the paint on.

A few coats of paint can truly give old, outdated furniture a brand new look!



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