## OFF THE HOOK

Painted Wainscoting with Hooks

Add architectural detail and extra storage with this smart and stylish DIY project.

## You'll Need:

Dutch Boy® Platinum® Plus paint
Precut horizontal wooden boards
(approximately 1" thick x 6" wide)

Precut vertical wooden boards (approximately 1" thick x 4" wide)

Decorative hooks

Angled paintbrush

Woven roller cover and roller frame

Paint tray and liners

Painter's tape

Latex caulk

Fine- to medium-grit sandpaper

Tape measure

Level

Pencil

Hammer

Finishing nails

Screwdriver

Drop cloth

Clean, damp cloth



Wall: Ground Coffee 406-7DB Wainscoting: Swan White 024W

## Here's How:

- **Step 1** Lay down the drop cloth to protect floors; remove existing baseboard; wipe wall with clean, damp cloth to prepare painting surface.
- Step 2 Using the tape measure, determine height for the top trim board by measuring up from the floor and lightly marking with a pencil; use the level and pencil to draw a horizontal line the length of the wall.
- **Step 3** Affix painter's tape just above the horizontal line and any adjacent walls; apply pressure to tape to ensure tight seal with the wall.
- **Step 4** Using the angled brush, apply paint just inside taped areas, then paint remaining area with the woven roller; remove painter's tape while paint is still damp; allow paint to dry 24 hours.
- **Step 5** Prep wooden boards by lightly sanding any rough surfaces; wipe with clean, damp cloth to remove dust or debris.
- **Step 6** Using the angled brush, paint all sides of each board; allow paint to dry completely.
- **Step 7** Install baseboard to wall by inserting finishing nails with the hammer along the studs.
  - Tip: Use a stud finder to locate studs. If you don't have a stud finder, know that most light switches and outlets are attached to a stud, which are typically spaced 16 inches apart.
- **Step 8** Install vertical boards along studs by aligning bottom of board flush with the baseboard; secure to the wall with finishing nails and hammer.
- **Step 9** Install top horizontal board flush with the vertical boards; insert finishing nails along the studs.
- **Step 10** Use latex caulk to fill in all nail holes and gaps; use the clean, damp cloth to smooth caulked surfaces and allow to dry.



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**Step 11** Use the flat brush and paint to touch up caulked areas.

**Step 12** Install decorative wall hooks along top horizontal board.

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See paint can labels for application instructions and drying times.

Use Dutch Boy® paint to ensure precise color match. Refer to the actual color chip for accurate color representation.

