

# How to Create an Ombre Dresser

Update a plain dresser with a creative touch of paint. Whether it's a treasured heirloom or a great flea market find, this colorful ombre effect is a simple way to add a fun and stylish element to any room. A few tools and supplies and your favorite Clark+Kensington® paint colors are all you need to get the project done yourself.



Drawer 1: Tranquil Vibe 32C-2  
Drawer 2: Illuminated Sky 32C-3  
Drawer 3: Sea of Love 32C-5  
Drawer 4: Vivid Aqua 32C-6  
Dresser Exterior, Legs: Deep Blue Ocean 32C-7

## Tools + Supplies

- Clark+Kensington Paint
- Cleaning Solution (such as "Simple Green")
- Cloth Rags
- Drop Cloth
- Fine Grit Sandpaper
- Mini Paint Roller & Tray
- Paint Brushes
- Painter's Tape
- Wood Putty (if needed)

## Prepare the Surface

1. Cover your floor with a drop cloth.
2. Remove drawers and hardware. It's a good idea to tape hardware with corresponding screws to keep them from getting lost.
3. Ensure the surface of the dresser is clean, smooth and undamaged. Fill in chips or dings with wood putty. Allow to dry. Use a fine grit sandpaper to smooth down patches so they're flush.
4. Wipe the dresser with a tack cloth or a clean, damp rag to remove all of the sanding dust.
5. Rinse with clean water to remove any cleaner residue.

### Helpful Hint

Always follow the manufacturer's instructions and safety precautions for the products you use.

## Paint the Drawers

1. Paint the entire exterior surface of the dresser, including the legs, in the darkest color selected. Allow to dry completely.
2. Paint each drawer using a small synthetic bristle or foam brush. Be sure to clean the brush between colors or use a different brush for each color.
3. Allow to dry completely. Apply a second coat if necessary and allow to dry completely.
4. Once the drawers and dresser are completely dry, replace hardware and insert drawers, going from lightest color to darkest.
5. Now step back and admire your creativity!

### Helpful Hint

If you use Clark+Kensington Paint and Primer in One, there's no need to prime before you paint.

### Ace Designer Tip

A satin or semi-gloss sheen is perfect for a project like this as they are easy to clean.



*Still not sure about your color? Pint sized Color Samples, tintable to any color, are great for testing color or perfect for smaller projects!*



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