

Marc Adams School of Wood Working Finishing Products Resource List

Mohawk Products: Can be purchased on line at www.mohawkfinishing.com. The website also lists retail dealers of the Mohawk products as well. Be aware that some Mohawk dealers do not stock the entire Mohawk line so do your research online before you walk into a store. They may have to order materials for you. There is an \$80 minimum order from the Mohawk website and you may pay more from the website than buying from a dealer's retail store or a dealer's website.

Behlen Products: Available at Woodcraft, Rockler and other wood working supply stores. Since Behlen is owned by the same parent company as Mohawk (RPM), you can sometimes find equivalent products with different names. For example, if you like the Mohawk Ultra Penetrating Stain (Dye), the Behlen Solarlux Stain (Dye) is the same stuff.

Transtints dyes: Available at Rockler, Woodcraft, Highland Hardware Atlanta online and www.homesteadfinishingproducts.com.

Mixols – Pigment in glycol ether that will allow you to color oil and water based stains, shellac, oil based varnishes and water based finishes.

Old Masters Stains: Their Full Bodied Wiping Stain is a good slow drying oil based glaze. They also sell a grain filler. Old Masters products are carried by many paint stores and some hardware stores.

Arti water dyes: Highland Hardware Atlanta online.

Shellac: Shellac flakes can be purchased at www.homesteadfinishingproducts.com or www.shellac.net. Homestead also carries 5 lb cut shellac concentrates as well. Olde Mill Cabinet Shop is also a good shellac source. You can dissolve shellac flakes in Behlen's Behkol, 180 proof grain alcohol from the liquor store (Everclear), or shellac thinner from www.finishersdepot.com. Finishers Depot also has "Gold Dust" shellac, a finely powder blonde shellac.

Brushes: Homestead finishing sells the larger 1 ½" *Golden Taklon* brushes used for waterbased finishes and shellac. (We used Lovia Athena Series 7100 1 ½") Mitch likes a Taklon with a rounded tip to work finish in the corners and to brush edges. (Robert Simmons S52 Sapphire 1") Smaller Golden Taklon brushes can be purchased at art supply stores like Michaels.

Good varnish brushes are available from Homestead Finishing, Highland Hardware Atlanta, and badger "style" brushes at woodworking stores like Rockler and Woodcraft. Other good brushes are ox flow brushes and brushes made by Grammercy Tools.

Shellac Padding Materials: Cover materials for a pad can be ordered from Mohawk Finishing as Trace Cloth. A small box is a lifetime supply. One of the best materials for the interior pad is a bit of a wool sock or sweater. Available at Goodwill.

Waterlox Varnishes: Learn more at Waterlox.com. The website also has a list of dealers. Waterlox is generally sold at woodworking stores and higher end paint stores. Make sure you buy a can of Bloxygen to keep the varnish from curing in the can.

Bloxygen: Spray into a can of varnish or oil based product to keep it from curing in the can. Buy at Woodcraft, Rockler, Highland Hardware. You can also use nitrogen sold in wine stores to keep open wine bottles from oxidizing.

Liberon Steel 0000 Steel Wool: This stuff feels like silk. Great for rubbing out. Available at Rockler, Woodcraft, Highland Hardware and any place that sells Liberon products.

Asphaltum/Tar Glaze Base: Buy a gallon of unfibred roofing tar and mix 2 teaspoons of tar with a cup of mineral spirits. Label the jar “Secret Artist’s Glaze” and don’t tell anyone what is in the container.

Potassium Dichromate & Van Dyke’s Crystals: You can buy these chemicals at Olde Mill Cabinet shop’s online store. Olde Mill is also a great source for hide glue, milk paint, shellac, etc.

Spray Finishing: Good HVLP guns to look at include:

- Sata
- CA Technologies
- Kremlin
- Binks

Online Stores & Resources:

Olde Mill Cabinet Shop www.oldemill.com A great resource for potassium dichromate, Van Dyke’s crystals, hide glue, milk paint, 4F pumice, and shellac.

Mohawk Finishing www.mohawkfinishing.com. A full line of professional finishing products and furniture touch up products.

Homestead Finishing www.homesteadfinishingproducts.com Spray guns, shellac, taklon and badger hair brushes. Transtints and Mixolsw.

Highland Hardware Atlanta GA www.highlandhardware.com Tools, shellac, 4F pumice hide glue, Arti dyes, Behlen finishing products, Liberon Finishing Products.

Finisher’s Depot www.finishersdepot.com A full line of professional finishing products and touch up supplies.

Rockler www.Rockler.com Tools, Behlen Finishing products, shellac, 4F pumice, Liberon steel wool, Bloxygen.

Woodcraft www.Woodcraft.com Tools, Behlen Finishing products, Waterlox (some stores), shellac, Liberon steel wool, Bloxygen, Mixols.

Spray Gun Solutions: Gun cleaning kits for your spray gun.

Van Dyke’s Restorers www.vandykes.com Replacement hardware, touch up supplies.

Mitch Kohanek’s website: www.woodfinishing.org

Tim Puro’s website: www.furniturerestore.net tim@furniturerestore.net