



FROM *walls* TO *furniture*
TO JUMBO *lampshades*, OUR STYLISH
STENCILS ARE EASY TO USE, CONVENIENTLY OVERSIZED
AND PERFECT FOR UPDATING JUST ABOUT ANYTHING!

stylish stencils

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stencil stock

You can't wait to stencil—and we can't blame you! But before you start, you'll need to pick up these essential supplies.

- **STENCILS:** Our large stencils can cover a lot of ground, but if you're doing an entire wall, you may want to pick up 3 or 4 of them. You'll minimize the chance of smearing or smudging if you let the paint dry a bit before moving the stencil. If you work with more than one, you won't be slowed down by the drying time.
- **PAINT:** We carry a wide variety of acrylic craft paints, and most of them are suitable for any surface.
- **BRUSHES & SPONGES:** We like brushes for painting backgrounds and sponges for stenciling. Cosmetic style sponges give nice, even coverage.
- **Painter's TAPE OR STENCIL ADHESIVE:** We know you have a steady hand, but you'll need a little help when it comes to keeping your stencil straight. Use one of these products to keep the plastic in place while you work—they're both removable and repositionable, so they won't damage the paint or the wall.

wall to wall

When you have stencils down to a fine art, try putting your handiwork on canvas! We used pre-gessoed 12 x 12" squares for our look—they're a versatile (and very affordable) place to start.

divide & conquer

Here's an easy way to add drama to a basic three-fold room divider. Start by painting the panels in a creamy ivory acrylic, and then make them pop with a dreamy damask—we have the perfect stencil! *Tip: If you need to, trim one stencil so that the flat edge can rest against the ends of the panels, creating a partial design. This trick works for the bottoms and sides of walls too!*



≈ paint the town

Every room has room for stencils! And that may be the difference between cookie cutter furnishings and one-of-a-kind décor. Create unique pieces, like the ones you see here, with stencils that are specially designed for large spaces—we carry a terrific selection of trendy designs.





lattice love

Use a lovely lattice pattern to transform off the shelf Roman shades into designer-style window décor. As always, stencil on a flat surface, and use painter's tape (we sell some made especially for stencils) to prevent the stencil from sliding around as you work.



think big

You're feeling blue, and you're not afraid to show it! And you shouldn't be—not with our versatile, oversized stencils. You can create rich, hand-painted detail like this in every room of your home. Just select the pattern, pick your paint and get to work. And by the way, there will be absolutely no art lessons required.

» *light side*

Nope, it's not a trick of the light. These avant-garde shades get their look from a Moroccan-style wall stencil.

Here's how you do it:

1. Choose a simple, unembellished shade—you can recycle one from home, or you can purchase one (or several) from our well-stocked Home Accents Department. We used shades that were covered with plain linen fabric.



2. Paint the base color: For a look like ours, use a color that is lighter than the one you plan to stencil with. Use a brush, and do two coats for even coverage. Allow paint to dry completely before moving on to the next step.

3. Position stencil on lampshade, and use stencil tape or painter's tape to hold it in place.

4. Use a craft sponge or foam wedge to dab paint evenly into the openings on the stencil.

5. Carefully remove stencil and let paint dry.

6. Use a small paintbrush to touch up lines.

7. Display on a lamp base, or equip with a light kit to hang.

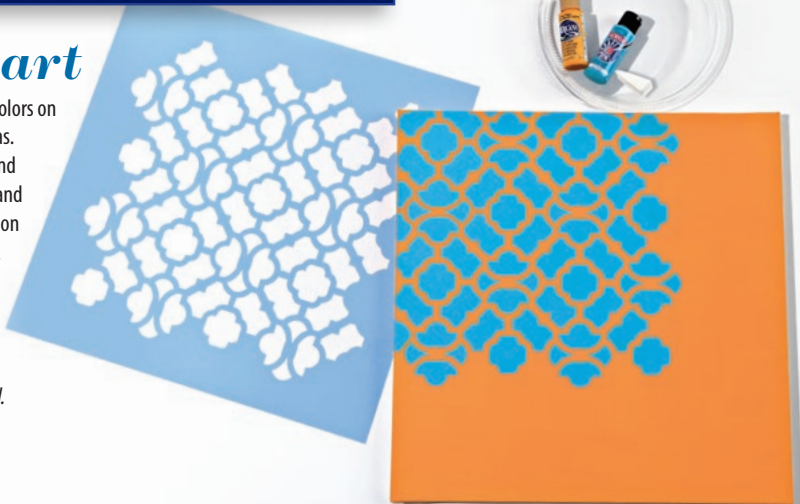


Tip: *Don't overdo it when loading paint onto your sponge. Excessive globs of paint can seep under the stencil and muddy your design. Keep it light, and go back over your work as necessary.*

» *art start*

For depth, try two colors on your stenciled canvas. Apply the background color with a brush, and after it's dry, stencil on the secondary color.

Tip: *For clean lines, place a hard, raised surface (like a book) under your canvas as you stencil.*





stop & stair

You'll have the ultimate reason to watch where you step, thanks to a hip, lattice style stencil. For functional décor like this loft staircase, we recommend sealing your work with clear, water-based polyurethane. Apply a few coats if you want the design to stand up to major foot traffic.



subtle shimmer

Fancy up a flea market find with a zebra print stencil and some gorgeous metallic paint. Pull out the drawers and remove the hardware to replicate a dresser like this one. You can paint the accents (trim, pulls, etc.) while you wait for the stenciled design to dry.

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