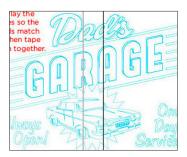
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# **Vintage Style Painted Sign**

Give Dad a gift to show off in his garage or workspace!

### **HOW TO MAKE IT**



### STEP 1

Download the PDF "Dad's Sign Template". This demo is for a 12"  $\times$  16" panel. Print both pages at 8-1/2"  $\times$  11". Trim the right edge of Page 1 so the lines go to the edge of the paper. Position Page 1 over Page 2 so the design lines up to make one big image. Tape the two sheets together with transparent tape. Print Page 3 to use as a painting guide.



### STEP 2

Use a large flat brush to coat the entire surface and sides of your wood panel with Matisse Background Colors in Gum Tree Green. Let dry. One coat should be sufficient.



#### STEP 3

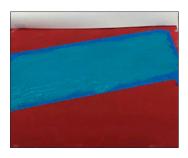
Paint over the first layer with Matisse Background Colors Acrylic Paint in Pimento. Start from the inside and work toward the edges. Cover the edges of your panel lightly so you can still see some of the first color through the red. This will give the piece a rougher, antique look. Let dry.



### STEP 4

Determine where you'll paint the light blue area. Center the printed template on the board and use three pieces of tape to attach it to the top and bottom of the board. Place a piece of transfer paper, dark side down, under the template. Use a straight edge and ballpoint pen to trace a rectangle over the black lines around the word "garage" in the design (see above). Lift the template (but leave it taped to the board) and the

# Vintage Style Painted Sign (HOW TO MAKE IT continued)



### STEP 5

With the rectangle as your guide, use painter's tape to border off the area to be painted. Paint the rectangle with Matisse Background Colors Acrylic Paint in Turquoise. Let dry. Peel the tape off carefully to avoid removing any paint.



### STEP 6

Bring the template down over the board again and place the transfer paper under it. Trace around the area of the car and the star. Fill in the area of the car with Vallejo Acrylic Gouache in Titanium White. (Most of this will be covered later by black paint.) Use a Yellow Sharpie Waterbased Paint Marker and a straight edge to outline the star, then fill it in with Vallejo Acrylic Gouache



### STEP 7

Bring the template down again and replace the transfer paper. Trace over all the remaining lines in the template. Lift the template and make sure everything is transferred to the panel.



### STEP 8

Trace the outlines of the white areas of the design with a White Sharpie Waterbased Paint Marker. Fill in the larger white areas with a medium-point paint marker or with the matte acrylic and a small round brush. It may take a few coats of white to cover the red.



### STEP 9

Trace the outlines of the black areas of the design with a Black Sharpie Waterbased Paint Marker and a straight edge when needed. Fill in the larger black areas with a medium-point paint marker or matte acrylic. Let dry.



#### **STEP 10**

When you're done painting the sign, use a small piece of the fine grit sandpaper to sand the board, giving it a weathered look. Go slowly and start on the sides and edges. It's up to you how much of the effect you want. When you're finished, blow or wipe off the dust. Seal the sign with one or two coats of Blick Artists' Acrylic Matte Varnish. Hang and enjoy!

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