Resene

Occasional table

★★☆ **Difficulty level**   ★easy   ★★moderate   ★★★challenging

Ways with wood
with Mark Rayner – 40

You will need:

- Clean cloth
- Detergent and water
- Nylon pot scrubber
- Old varnished occasional table
- Paintbrushes
- Paint scraper
- Paint stirrer
- Resene Aquaclear waterborne urethane varnish (satin)
- Resene Colorwood Enhance in Resene Jarrah
- Resene Lustacryl tinted to Resene Brown Pod
- Resene Waterborne Smooth Surface Sealer
- Resene Strip Off paint stripper
- Sandpaper
- Solvent resistant gloves and protective goggles
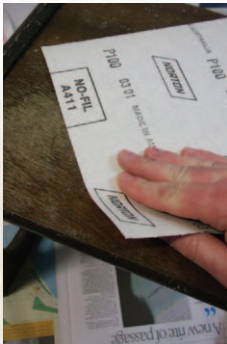
Step one
Lightly sand the old varnish with sandpaper.

Step two
Wearing gloves and goggles, apply a generous amount of Resene Strip Off to the table top and leave for at least 30 minutes.

Step three
Once the old varnish has softened, carefully remove with a paint scraper, running in the direction of the grain. Repeat if necessary.
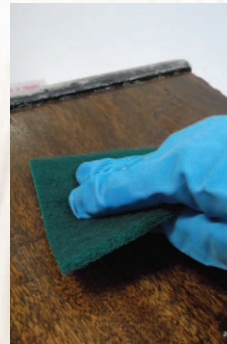
Step four
Remove any stubborn residue with a nylon pot scourer, rubbing in the direction of the grain. Scrub down with a weak mix of detergent and water to completely remove residue. Allow to dry for 24 hours and lightly sand, wiping off any sanding dust with a clean cloth.

Step five
Carefully pour the Resene Colorwood Enhance into the Resene Aquaclear and stir well with a paint stirrer.

Step six
Apply two coats of Resene Aquaclear to the table top, brushing in the direction of the grain, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.

Step seven
Apply one coat of Resene Waterborne Smooth Surface Sealer to the table legs and allow to dry for two hours.

Step eight
Apply two coats of Resene Brown Pod to the table legs, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.

Interior

Smarten up an old varnished occasional table with this effective combination of Resene products.

To get the look:

Mark painted the background wall with Resene SpaceCote Flat tinted to Resene Trinidad.

Other ideas:

For a pale effect use a combination of Resene Aquaclear mixed with Resene Colorwood Enhance White and Resene Lustacryl tinted to Resene Colonial White.

For more ideas and inspiration visit your local Resene ColorShop or the Resene website.