

# Creating the French Look: Inspirational Ideas and 25 Step-By-Step Projects

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of. There were nice vivid photos - but not all the projects were focused on painting. In addition - I was expecting more ideas of "french look" color combinations - for painting furniture. Just not worth my \$\$\$. I would've returned it - except I don't believe in returning items such as books - especially when the service has been wonderful!

Developed over hundreds of years, the French look reflects all tastes, from the cultivated grandeur of the chateau to the simplicity of rural living, and can be adapted to every home. Creating the French Look is divided into four styles: Chateau, Country, Provenal and Parisian, and each look is applied to living rooms, kitchens, dining rooms, bedrooms and bathrooms plus outdoor living spaces. As well as describing each overall style, focusing on colours and fabrics, Annie Sloan emphasizes the details and accents required by each one, and, aided by 25 clearly explained step-by-step projects, shows how to achieve it. Among other things, she explains how to paint and distress furniture, and describes how to cover an armoire door with embroidered voile. Whatever interior you desire, this book will guide your choices from the grand statement of the painted armoire to the finishing touch of a little posy of lavender.

About the Author Annie Sloan is one of the world's most respected experts in the field of decorative painting. She runs highly successful workshops from her store in Oxford, England, and teaches in the US and Europe. She has written over 10 books, including *Quick and Easy Paint Transformations*, and has featured prominently on PBS television and the Homes Gardens TV channel. She sells her own ranges of paint and vintage furniture, much of it from France, where she has a home. The author is based in Oxford, UK.