

# How To Make Rustic Stain

*In this infographic I will show you all the steps you need to stain your next rustic furniture piece*

## What You Will Need!



- Steel Wool
- Black Tea
- Paint Brush (2x)
- Mason Jar
- White Vinegar

## Making Your Rustic Stain

**Step 1:** Fill Mason Jar  $\frac{3}{4}$  Full With White Vinegar

**Step 2:** Soak Steel Wool in Vinegar and let sit in sun until dry

**Step 3:** Place steel wool in Mason Jar with Vinegar and let sit for 5 days

**Step 4:** Shake Mason Jar to move sediment around Mason Jar



## Preparing Your Rustic Piece

The key to this process is increasing the Tanin Content of your Rustic Furniture so the stain will take effect. Pine wood naturally has Tanin within in but to increase it we apply Black Tea which also naturally has Tanin in it to increase the Tanin content.

**Step 1:** Brew a very strong pot of Black Tea. (Usually I use anywhere between 5-10 tea bags per pot of tea I make)

**Step 2:** Wait for Tea to cool and move to a moveable container

**Step 3:** Apply the black tea to your rustic piece and allow to dry

**Step 4:** Once dry you are able to move to the next phase to apply the Rustic Stain



## Staining Rustic Furniture

**Step 1:** Dip Paint Brush into stain making sure to take off any excess stain from the brush.

**Step 2:** Brush Stain directly onto the wood making sure to go with the grain when applying the stain

**Step 3:** Make sure stain is evenly applied and wait to dry. As the stain dry's on the project you will see it turn a dark brown/grey color

**Step 4:** Once dry you can add a matte varnish. This step is optional but if you are going to be setting drinks on this piece of furniture it's a good idea



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