



# Distemper Product Advice Sheet

## Description

A chalky, interior, water-based finish for walls, ceilings and fine plasterwork. Dries to a soft, matt finish which allows walls to breathe. Excellent covering power on porous surfaces although this depends on the degree of thinning. The finish is gently wipeable if required but is not recommended for contact areas or areas where condensation occurs.

## Surfaces

Plaster, lime plaster, surfaces previously painted with oil-based or casein-based distempers. Not recommended for use on soft distemper. Unsuitable for use on non-porous surfaces such as oil-based paints or conventional vinyl-based emulsion paints. May be applied to slightly damp surfaces which can subsequently dry out.

## Pack Sizes

5 litres

## Colour Range

Pastel shades of Little Greene and others on request.  
Colour will be approximate only and may vary from batch to batch.

## Spreading Rate

Up to 15 square metres per litre per coat depending on the porosity of the previous surface. 20% thinning with clean water is recommended for most porous surfaces. Very porous surfaces e.g. new plaster may require up to 50% thinning for first coat application.

## Drying Rate

Touch dry in 1-2 hours. More coats may be applied after overnight drying.

## Environment

Manufactured to BS EN ISO 14001:2004 standards  
VOC content Low (less than 1%)  
Complies with European Commission VOC Directive 2004/42/CE

## Technical Information

Sheen Level

3%

Spraying

(Conventional) Dilute 10% with clean water  
(Airless) Use 15 – 21 thou tip

Specific Gravity

1.29-1.35 depending on colour.

Solids by Volume

25% approximately



# Distemper Product Advice Sheet

Dry film Thickness                      15-20 microns per coat

## **Preparation**

Surfaces should be clean, dry and free from loose or flaking material, dirt, grease etc. Areas contaminated with fungal growth should be treated with a 25% solution of household bleach or if the surface is softened significantly by water, the coating should be removed together with the fungal growth before painting.

## **Application**

Stir well before use and apply using brush or medium pile roller. Do not apply heavily but build up covering power with extra coats as required. Not recommended for touching in small areas.

## **Clean up**

Equipment should be cleaned with water immediately after use.

## **Precautions**

Best if used up to 12 months from purchase. However if kept well sealed in a frost free environment it may last for several years. Do not use if material has become significantly thinner or malodorous.

## **Disclaimer**

All the information submitted on this sheet is correct to the best of our knowledge and experience. The Little Greene Paint Company reserves the right to modify data and systems sheets and procedures with reference to usage and application without further notice. The information supplied does not absolve users from responsibility to carry out their own tests and experiments, nor does it imply any legally binding assurance of certain properties or suitability for any specific purposes. Conditions of application and service may be beyond our control, so no liability whatsoever can be accepted on the basis of the information supplied herein.