

when one door closes...

An old wooden French door finds a new life as a multi-use hub for family memories and everyday needs

A few dedicated hours over a couple of weekends is all it takes to create this fabulous upcycled project. Day one – trawl the wreckers' yards until you find an old French door still boasting its glass panels. Day two – get your hands dirty sanding, painting and revitalising.

you will need:

- An old French door or window with glass panes
- A collection of favourite family photos
- Sandpaper
- Painter's tape
- Paintbrush
- Paint scraper
- Resene Lustacryl waterborne enamel paint in colours of your choice. We used Resene Black White, Resene Triple Tea and Resene Turbo
- Hooks for hanging items
- Long screws and power drill for mounting

method:

- 1 Sand the door to get a smooth surface. If the door is basically bare timber, use Resene Quick Dry to prime it.
- 2 Paint your base colour all over the door. We used Resene Lustacryl waterborne enamel paint in Resene Black White. Allow to dry, then add another coat.
- 3 When base coat is fully dry, mask off the frame of each window pane with painter's tape.
- 4 Paint inside the frames in your chosen colours. We used Resene Turbo and Resene Triple Tea on random frames, leaving some in Resene Black White. You'll need 2-3 coats on each.
- 5 Carefully remove tape then use a paint scraper



to scratch away any paint splatters on the glass.

- 6 Clean both sides of the glass panes.
- 7 Measure your glass panes and your photos, cut to fit. Put your photos in place and secure with tape.
- 8 Attach hooks for hanging bags, hats and jackets.
- 9 To mount the door we used two very long screws and a leveller and drilled the screws through the wall into the studs. The door is quite heavy, so do it right and enlist help from family and friends! ●

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