

Curtain call

Add the final flourish to your window dressing with an eye-catching stencil.

EASY

QUICK PROJECT GUIDE
Hard labour 2/10
Skill level 2/10
Time needed
2-3 hours
(includes drying time for paint)

You will need

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SHOPPING LIST

- stencil of your choice
- 250ml Tjhoko Paint (in the colour of your choice); we used Lourain's Cream

TOOLS

- masking tape
- stencil brush
- clean cloth

Get started...

1 Place the curtain on a flat work surface and position the stencil with masking tape. The tape serves a dual purpose: it secures the stencil in position and ensures that you don't paint over the edge onto areas of the fabric you want to keep paint-free.



2 Use very little paint on your stencil brush, making sure it is evenly distributed on the bristles. It is better to use the paint sparingly, otherwise it will seep underneath the stencil. It will be extremely difficult to rectify this mistake later as you are working with fabric and not a surface like wood which can be repainted.



3 Move your brush in circular movements while adding pressure to both the stencil and fabric with your free hand to prevent them from shifting. **4** Gently remove the stencil once the pattern is complete. Using a clean cloth, dab any areas where there might be too much

paint. Repeat the process until the entire surface has been covered. **Tip** As a precaution, wait 5-6 hours then iron the back of the curtain to set the painted stencil onto the fabric. If it's an item that needs to be rinsed, wait 48 hours before hand-washing it in cold water.



step by step

WHICH FABRICS WORK BEST?
Natural fabrics such as cotton, cheesecloth and other woven materials are ideal for stencilling. 🏠