

Sponging

As bold or subtle as desired, this traditional faux technique combines a solid base coat with one or several tinted faux technique glazes to create an entralling interplay of color.



ABOVE: **B** LIFEVEST ORANGE • IB64 ❖
G ASPEN ORANGE • GH176

❖ Requires Deeptone Primer

STEP 1: BASE COATS

Use a premium-quality nylon/poly brush to outline the ceiling and trim work. Roll on Ralph Lauren Semi-Gloss or Satin base coat, finishing each section with a smooth ceiling-to-floor stroke.

Wait at least four hours before applying the second coat. Wait 24 hours for the second coat to dry before starting the technique.



STEP 2:

Dip the flat surface of a damp sponge into desired glaze color. Blot out excess glaze leaving a small amount of glaze on the sponge. Practice on a test board until you achieve the desired result. Begin in the upper corner of your wall and gently press the sponge repeatedly against the wall. Make sure to overlap each sponge impression and continue to rotate your hand at the wrist with each dab. Make sure you do not squeeze or slide the sponge along the wall.



STEP 3:

As your sponge becomes dry, reload with glaze, blot out excess and repeat the application process. Work in manageable sections making sure to overlap previous area. If your sponge becomes too saturated with glaze, rinse it out and begin again. Step back to view your wall from a distance to view any uneven spots and help maintain a consistent random pattern.



STEP 4:

THIRD COLOR OPTION

For even more dimension, you may choose to sponge on a second glaze color. Allow ample time for your first coat of glaze to dry (Dry to the touch) and then begin the process again with your second glaze color.

Ralph Lauren glaze can be tinted directly in the can. You do not need to mix with a latex product to achieve desired color.

PAINT PRODUCTS NEEDED:



RALPH LAUREN
LATEX SEMI-GLOSS OR SATIN FINISH



RALPH LAUREN
FAUX TECHNIQUE GLAZE

APPLICATORS NEEDED*

- Sponge
- Corner Sponge



ADDITIONAL ITEMS NEEDED:

- Low-tack painter's tape

*RALPH LAUREN PAINT
SPONGING AND RAGGING KIT
ALSO AVAILABLE

EASE OF TECHNIQUE

BEGINNER INTERMEDIATE