



# BEAUTI-TIPS EXPERT ADVICE ON ROLLERS

## JUST ROLL WITH IT!

Roll one on: Rollers are the tool of choice when painting large areas but they aren't all created equal. They come in a variety of lengths, fabric coverings and nap heights and just like great brushes, they can be used more than once. To achieve a professional finish with less work, you need to choose the proper roller for your project.

### HERE'S WHAT TO LOOK FOR:

**Pile Height:** As a general rule, the higher the sheen of paint the lower the pile height should be. A gloss paint deserves a 5mm roller. Suede, eggshell or velvet finishes look marvelous with the most common roller, the 10 mm. For a flat paint or primer, choose 15mm.

**Lint Free:** Here's a guaranteed little-known fact! Lint free rollers are great but it is still necessary to rinse with water before using latex paint or mineral spirits if using alkyd. This eliminates any loose fibres getting in your paint and primes your roller to accept the paint faster. Who knew!

**Pile Density:** Just as in fine carpets, pile matters – the thicker the pile density the better the roller applies the paint. High pile rollers hold more paint resulting in a smoother finish and less time reloading your roller.

**Seam Lines:** Choose a roller that do not have conspicuous seam lines, otherwise you might end up with unplanned patterned walls.

**The Ends:** A good quality roller has tapered ends to prevent paint seeping inside the roller. The Core: Want a roller that keeps its shape? Since cardboard cores soften and develop flat spots, choose a roller with a PVC plastic core.

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With rollers, you really do get what you pay for. An inexpensive roller will mat or fail to evenly spread even the highest quality paints, and it may leave your walls feeling rough because of lint imbedded on your walls.

**Be Cagey:** Get a handle on your roller. A good roller cage, like Beauti-Tone's Rollerlock paint roller frame 1655-113, is built for pros. Its heavy duty construction features four wires, not three, a no-slip system to keep the roller from shifting, a strong handle to support the roller, and a high-quality connection at the base to support an extension pole.

### ROLLER MUST HAVES

A roller cover 1656-840 keeps your roller ready to go if you can't finish your project in one day.

A roller and brush spinner 1610-360 cleans your brushes and rollers in seconds with no mess



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