

Suzie Paints Funsheet Tutorial

Here at Suzie Paints, we've created these funsheets to help you stay organized and give you easy access to important information about the interior design of your home. When you change things in your home, if you also update your funsheets regularly they will serve you well. The funsheets can be put in a 3-ring binder for easy storage and carried with you when shopping for easy access to the colors you already have.

The first step is to choose the right funsheet(s) for your room. In the packet you've already downloaded from suziepaints.com you have 6 different funsheets: Basic Colors, Accent Colors, Faux Finish Colors, Additional Colors, Trim Colors and Additional Items.

Most of the funsheets are made to be used in addition to the Basic Colors funsheet to provide extra information about the awesome way you've designed your room. The most important parts of these funsheets are the 'Room' labels and the 'paint sheen' labels. If you are using multiple funsheets to describe a room, make sure you have the proper room title on each sheet so you know which sheets go together. Unfortunately people very often skip the 'paint sheen' part of the description and that's not good because it tells the painters if they need to do extra prep work to get the next coat of paint to stick- you can't put a flat paint over a high gloss paint and expect it to stick for very long. It also make a difference if you have highly used or damaged walls, the higher the sheen you use, the easier it is to see all the imperfections!

Also make sure you keep accurate records in the 'Date' section so you know exactly how long ago something was painted. That room you painted 'last year' might have actually been painted 6 years ago and we all know it's easy for time to get away from us so accurate records are a must! Even if you're just freshening things up with a repaint of the same color, make sure to update the 'date' section too.

Each sheet has areas where you are supposed to attach a color sample. Ideally you would attach a paint chip from the place you bought the paint when you bought the paint (the 'when' part is important because paint colors can change because of ingredients but still have the same names). Often times I'll see people cutting a swatch of label with dripped paint to be the sample and I don't advise this at all! Too often, some of the colors from the label come through and give your paint a different color than what it actually is. If you don't have a color chip from the store, at least make your own proper paint chip by getting an index card or piece of cardstock and, after making sure there's no rust in the paint can and thoroughly mixing up your paint, paint a solid coat of your paint on the piece of paper. We sometimes do this for clients who have old colors matched and want a sample to take shopping with them.

Now onto the funsheets:

The **Basic Colors** funsheet is the one you'll use when your room has single colors for the whole ceiling, all the walls and all the trim. Normally each of these sections will be different colors or sheens so you'll want to make sure you fill out the funsheet completely so you don't have people touching up your flat ceiling with the shiny trim paint just because both were only labeled 'white'.

The **Accent Colors** funsheet is the one you'll use in addition to the Basic Colors funsheet when your room has one or more accent colors besides a single color for your ceilings, walls or trim. If you have accent walls, alcoves or coffers that are different colors from the rest of the room, you'll fill out their information on this sheet. Also, if you have different areas of different colors, like under a chair rail, that are not labeled on the sheet, feel free to change them as needed to suit your unique home. However, if you happen to have every wall in your room painted a different color, you'll want to use the Additional Colors funsheet instead.

The **Faux Finish Colors** funsheet, in addition to the Basic Colors funsheet, is used for rooms that have faux finishes in them. For these rooms, you'll use the Basic Colors funsheet to record the information about your ceilings and trim, but you'll use the Faux Finish Colors funsheet to record specific details about the colors used for your faux finish. If you have a faux finish as an accent wall then you'll use the Basic Colors funsheet to record the information about the rest of the room and combine it with this Faux Finish Colors funsheet for the information about your faux instead of using the Accent Colors funsheet. The most basic faux finishes are a simple [2-color fauxs](#) where the 'base coat' section is usually the wall color (pay close attention to any sheen differences for the 'base coat' because sometimes the fauxs require the same color but a different sheen) and the 'top coat' section is the color you add on top of the base coat to get your faux finish. This sheet also has a section for a single additional color for your faux in case your faux finish is [more complicated](#) and has multiple colors in it. If your faux finish has [more than 3 colors](#) to it, you'll need to add the Additional Colors funsheet to get all the information about your room.

The **Additional Colors** funsheet is pretty much what the name says. When combined with the Basic Colors funsheet, this sheet just gives you additional space to record the information of any additional colors you used in your room. If you have every wall in the room painted a different color, this is the sheet you would use. It also combines well with the Faux Finish Colors funsheet if you have a multi-color faux finish and you need more space to record the paint info.

The **Trim Colors** funsheet is a nod to the fact that there is no 'right way' to aesthetically design a room. Just because you happen to have crown, chair rail and base trim doesn't mean they all have to be painted the same color. Even your doors don't have to be the same as your trim and this sheet provides the place to record your [more-daring room designs](#) when your trims are not all the same color or sheen. Use this funsheet with the Basic Color funsheet to record the different paint colors and sheens of all your trim.

The **Additional Items** funsheet was designed to help you keep track of your bigger-ticket items that you don't usually change very often like drapes, counter tops and flooring. It's still important to have information and swatches about these items because they are what you will be using to decide your other accessories and even paint colors for your room.

Suzie Paints Basic Colors Funsheet

Color Samples

Room: _____

Date Painted:

Ceiling

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Walls

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Trim & Doors

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Suzie Paints Accent Colors Funsheet

Color Samples

Room: _____

Accent Wall(s)

Date Painted:

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Alcove

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Coffer

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Suzie Paints Faux Finish Colors Funsheet

Color Samples

Room: _____

Date Painted: _____

Faux Base Color

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Faux Top Color

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Additional Faux Color

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Suzie Paints Additional Colors Funsheet

Color Samples

Room: _____

Date Painted:

Additional Color 1

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Additional Color 2

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Additional Color 3

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Suzie Paints Trim Colors Funsheet

Color Samples

Room: _____

Date Painted:

Crown Trim

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Chair Rail Trim

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Base Trim

Paint sample goes here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

*****Paint Sheen:** _____

Paint Brand: _____

Suzie Paints Additional Items Funsheet

Color Samples

Room: _____

Date Installed:

Drapes

Sample Goes Here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

Description: _____

Location of Purchase: _____

Counter Tops

Sample Goes Here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

Description: _____

Location of Purchase: _____

Flooring

Sample Goes Here.

Color Name: _____

Color Number: _____

Description: _____

Location of Purchase: _____