

# Tint Bottles



Is your Master Wall Tinter on the bottle? If not you should look into it. Tinting a small bottle is a lot easier than lugging a 70 lb. pail around, tinting then mixing it. Imagine the smile on their face when they tint up 27 bottles rather than a pallet of finish.

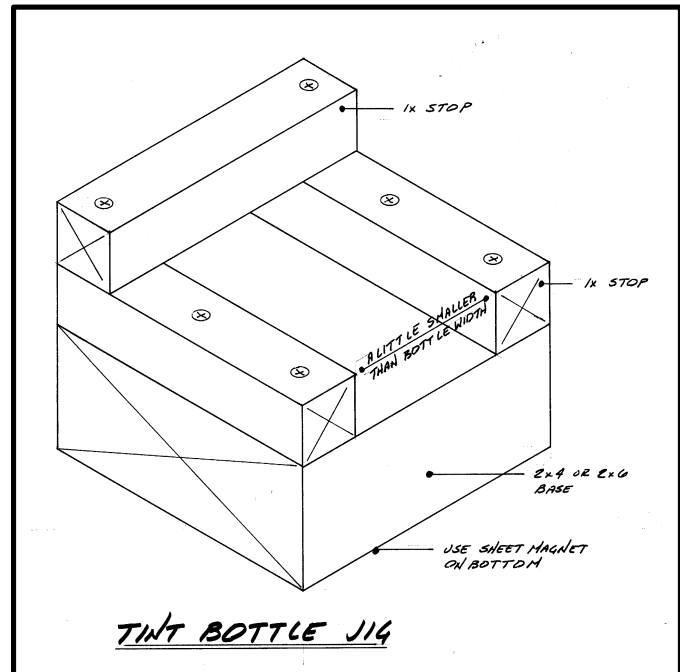
Aside from the distribution benefits, there are some marketing advantages you should consider:

- Applicators receive a bucket of finish and a bottle. Any unmixed finish could be returned, saving the applicator the expense of keeping unopened, untinted finish at their warehouse. The bottle is marked with the finish type and color for future matching.
- Some distributors would be able to charge for the convenience, depending upon the markets.
- The tint appears to be freeze stable – a good consideration for cold climates.
- Satellite stores could stock tint base for convenience with tint bottles shipped from the central location.

## The Process

It's simple to use tint bottles. The recommended ones are 8 oz. in size and will hold about 6 oz of tint. First, add 2 oz. of water to the bottle. Then add the tint. If you need a large amount of pigment use two bottles and tape them together.

It helps to have a jig like the one shown to hold the tint bottles in place and keep them as close to the dispenser as possible. From there the bottles are labeled and ready to go. The bottles are high quality and can take a fairly good hit without exploding.



### **Field Mixing**

Keep things simple with the applicator. Tell them to shake the bottle, dump it into the finish. Fill the bottle halfway with water, cap, shake and dump it into the finish. Start mixing from the bottom of the pail, sucking the tint down through the middle. Box the finish as you normally would and keep in mind you've added 6 oz of water to the pail.

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There are several choices when it comes to holding finish. I've heard of distributors using urine cups, sealed baggies and other various forms of jars. The bottom line is that it must be durable, practical and economical. In the past I've had good luck with bottles from M. Jacob & Sons:

**Trish Dooley  
M. Jacob & Sons  
30375 Northwestern Highway, P.O. Box 9069  
Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9069  
(248) 737-9440  
FAX (248) 737-2151**

Order the following:

**#101609 8 oz natural cylinder, 38 mm, HDPE. Packaged 230/box  
#415239 38/400 Blk Fr PPR F217 Lids, Packaged 2500/box.**

M. Jacob prices their items by the thousand, so order accordingly. They have credit applications or take MasterCard/Visa. You may also try to find bottles locally at a bottle supply house.

### **Labeling**

You and your customer are guaranteed to forget what's in the bottle over time. It's a good idea to label every bottle. A recommended set of labels formatted for the 3x3 Avery labels. You can print them on the copier or get with Dennis Deppner for something customized.

Ultimately the decision to use tint vials or in-shop pail mixing is your decision. We just want to help improve your EIFS business.

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