

Bister



What are Powertex Bister Pigments?

Bister is a water based, non-permanent colour pigment from Powertex.

It's available in seven tints: Black, Natural Brown, Mahogany, Red, Blue, Green and Yellow.

It can be bought as ready mixed sprays or granules.

What do I need?

- Powertex Fabric Hardener in Ivory or a light colour and natural fibres for your art or craft project
- Ready Mixed Bister (Natural Brown is good to start)
- White vinegar and a small spray bottle are optional
- A small sponge

Start with Ready Mixed Bister sprays

- Create your art or sculpture with Powertex Fabric Hardener in Ivory.
- Spray the Bister colour generously onto your art or sculpture, while dry or damp.
- Wipe back Bister from textures with a damp sponge.
- Allow to dry, repeat as required.

Try Bister Granules

- Mix a little of the granules with distilled water (and a little optional vinegar) into a spray bottle.
- You can use the ink as a spray or with a brush.
- The granules can also be sprinkled onto or into wet Powertex for colour and texture.

My Top Tutor Tips

- Bister is water based but will stain, so protect your surfaces
- Adding a little white vinegar to the ink can brighten the muted Bister colours
- Create your art or sculpture using a light coloured Powertex Fabric Hardener and natural fibres for best results

Find out more

There's a lot more to Bister than I could put here! Find out more tips, techniques and projects in my Powertex Bister Masterclass. Go to koresageart.com for details. Kore Sage is Certified Powertex tutor.