

How to Paint a Canvas Headboard

Headboards are truly a piece of furniture and can add a welcome accent to any bedroom suite. However, they can be expensive.

For a simple, cost-effective way to accentuate the head of your bed, try this DIY headboard project that brings together color, dimension, and a splash of style—without breaking the bank!

We simply painted twelve 16" square canvas panels in two different depths to give them an interesting textural effect when hung in a tight grouping above the bed.

To get started, purchase the following supplies:

- one quart of delightful golden (2158-30) semi-gloss Benjamin Moore paint
- six 2.5 cm deep, 41 cm square canvas panels
- six 3.8 cm deep, 41 cm square canvas panels
- one 2.5 cm Benjamin Moore paint brush
- one 10 cm or 12.7 cm Benjamin Moore paint brush
- Double-sided tape

Next, apply two coats of paint to each canvas (allow to dry fully between coats).

When the panels are completely dry, apply two strips of double-sided tape to the wall above the head of your bed and to your new canvas headboard and attach it to the wall.

Note: The panels could also be hung in the traditional manner with nails; however, on plaster walls in an old apartment, the tape proved to be much more reliable and didn't damage the walls. And the canvases are extremely light, so they adhere well with just two horizontal strips of tape along the top and bottom.