



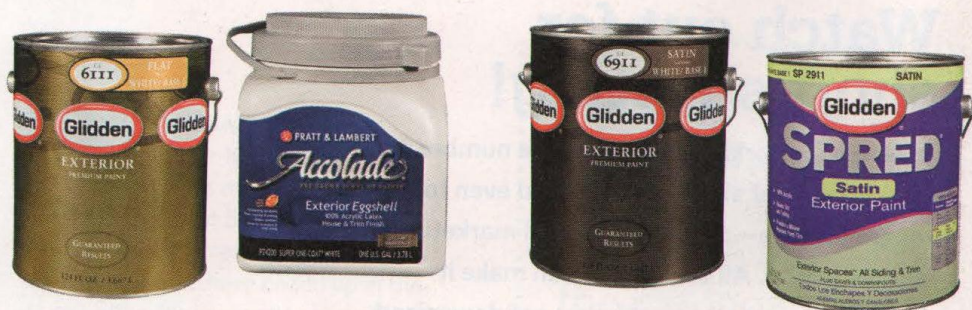
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Top coats

Outdoor paints and stains that hold up



for mildew protection

- **GLIDDEN PREMIUM FLAT**
Price \$21 per gallon
- **PRATT & LAMBERT ACCOLADE EGGSHELL**
Price \$44 per gallon

Why we like them Both resisted mildew in our tests—a plus in damp climates and shaded homes. They also resisted cracking and fading and kept their good looks after the equivalent of nine years. The Glidden is among the lowest-priced paints we tested.

Bummer The Pratt & Lambert brand is a fairly pricey choice.

Where to get them Home Depot for the Glidden paint, independent stores for the Pratt & Lambert

clean and green

- **GLIDDEN PREMIUM SATIN**
Price \$23 per gallon
- **GLIDDEN SPRED SATIN**
Price \$27 per gallon

Why we like them These low-priced paints meet regional California VOC limits of 50 grams per liter—far below the 250-gram limit for the rest of the country. And they still looked spiffy after the equivalent of nine years in all kinds of weather. Resistance to cracking, fading, and dirt are also part of these satin paints' appeal.

Bummer Good as they are, neither was best at protecting against mildew.

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