

# Pinball Pimp

Premium



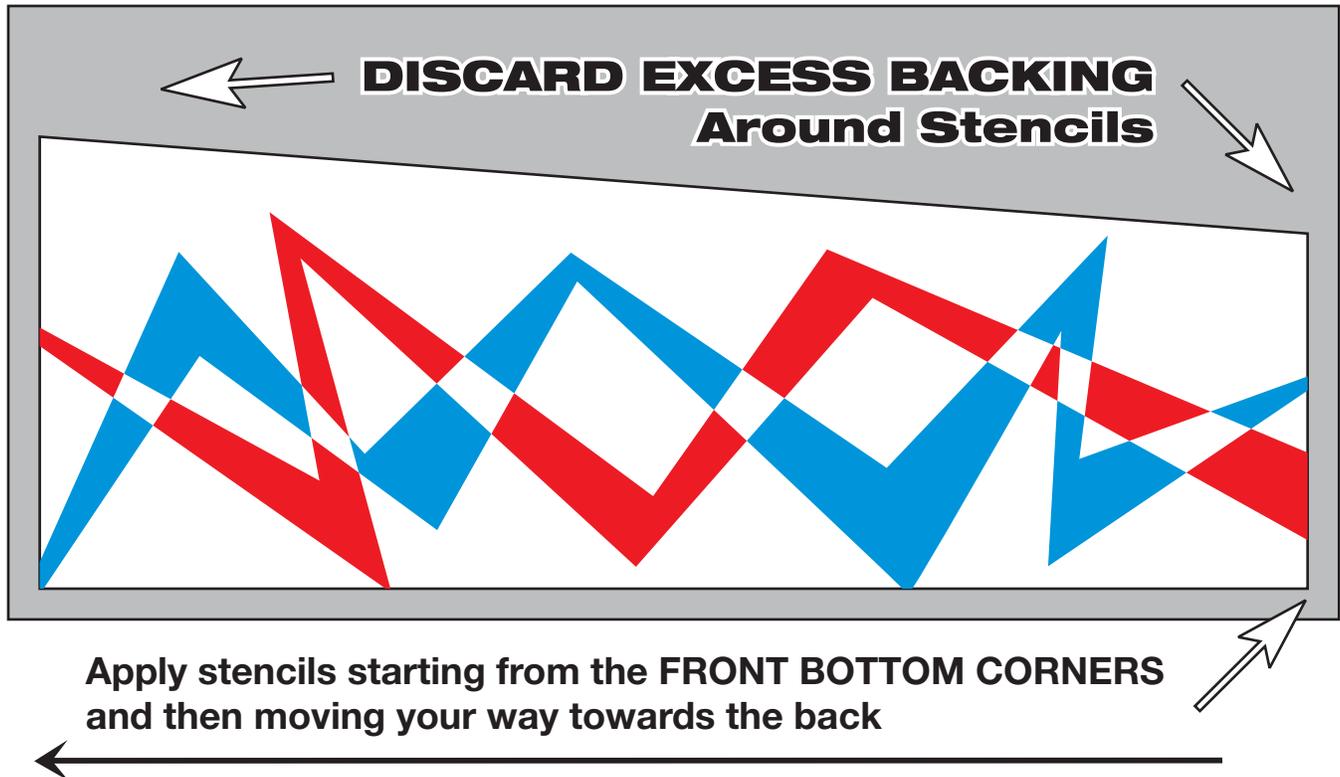
**PLEASE UNROLL STENCILS AND LET THEM FLATTEN OUT BEFORE USE!**

## TIPS & INSTRUCTIONS FOR BEST RESULTS

- ▶ Sand and Prep cabinet filling all knicks & blemishes before painting
- ▶ The smoother the cabinet, the better the stencil art results
- ▶ I suggest using a Gloss Enamel paint when painting the cabinet
- ▶ Rustoleum, Krylon & other enamel spray paint works well with these stencils
- ▶ Side of cabinet should be clean & dry before applying stencils
- ▶ Stencils may not stick well on rough surfaces or flat paint. Test first
- ▶ Stencils should be applied with the 4" Squeegee supplied in this kit
- ▶ I suggest peeling off the stencils within 5-10 minutes after painting
- ▶ **DO NOT** let the paint dry along stencil edges, as when peeling it may tear
- ▶ Always try to peel stencils along the cut lines and **not against them**
- ▶ You may want to use an X-Acto blade, tweezers, etc. while peeling detail
- ▶ Trim stencil pieces once peeled to keep from falling back into your work
- ▶ Be patient and take your time! You are only going to paint it once!

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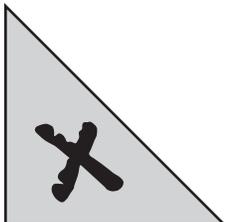
Before using the stencils, it is best to **TRIM ALL EXCESS BACKING** from around the edges of the stencils. This will make it easier to line up the stencils using the Corners & Edges to get it aligned properly to the cabinet. I always start at the **BOTTOM FRONT EDGE** and work my way towards the *Back* of the cabinet.



Some machines cabinet art WRAPS around the Front & Sides and looks seamless. **LOOK FOR THIS STICKER.** To make this easier to line up, **INSTALL the FRONT stencils FIRST**, then line up the SIDES and work your way to the back.

## NOTICE

Apply **FRONT** stencil **BEFORE** applying side stencils. Then line up side stencil to match the front and wrap around.

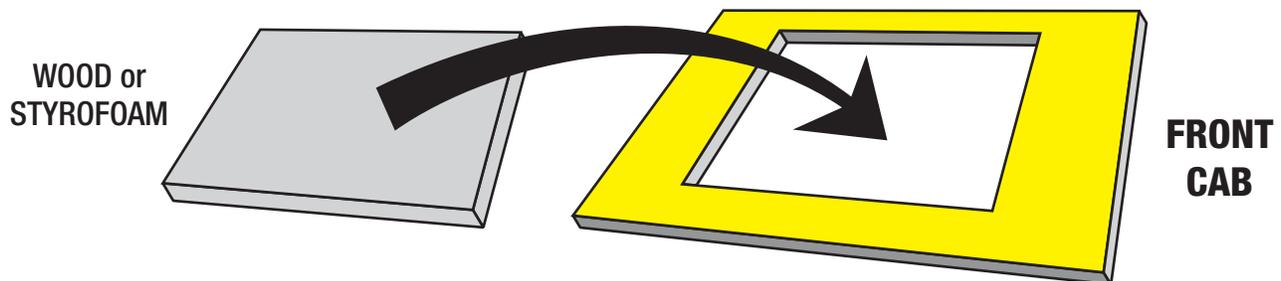


Some machines have artwork that Bleeds to the corners of the cabinet. In this case, the stencils are cut so the corners remain in order to line up the stencil. Once the stencil is applied, these **CORNERS with an "X"** should be removed before paint!

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# Front Coin Door Tip

When installing the **FRONT Stencil**, it is best to cut a piece of **WOOD** or **STYROFOAM** the exact size of the coin door opening and plug up the hole to form a smooth surface before trying to install the stencil. It will be a major pain if you try to do it with the open hole, as the vinyl stencil will tend to sag in the middle making it difficult to apply properly.



## REGISTRATION MARKS



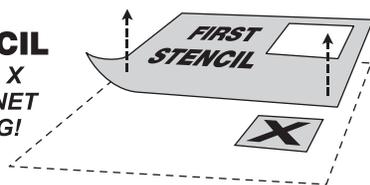
**NOTE:** Some stencils which have color traps & bleeds come with **REGISTRATION SQUARES** marked with an **X**. They will be located on the **FIRST Color** you paint.

### VERY IMPORTANT

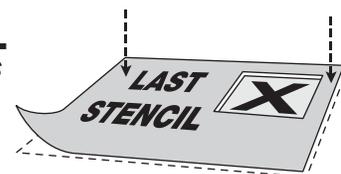
**MAKE SURE to LINE UP the 1st Color to the cabinet CORRECTLY! The 2nd Color will be dictated by the alignment of the 1st Color!**

When peeling the **First Color** stencil from the cabinet, make sure the **SQUARE VINYL X REMAINS** on the cabinet in order to register the last color. The **LAST Color** stencil will have **Squares cut out** which line up perfectly overtop the **VINYL X SQUARES** left on the cabinet from the first stencil.

**FIRST STENCIL**  
SQUARE VINYL X  
STAYS ON CABINET  
AFTER PEELING!



**LAST STENCIL**  
SQUARE HOLE FITS  
EXACTLY OVER  
VINYL SQUARE X  
LEFT ON CABINET



All stencils are cut to the exact size for the area to be painted. Line up stencils by using the **BOTTOM & TOP CORNERS** of the cabinet area. **USE 4" SQUEEGEE** provided and burnish down the top of stencils right before applying. Be careful when removing backing not to peel up stencil art. Test fit and make mental notes if needed before applying the stencil to the cabinet.

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# PAINT TYPES AND PAINTING TIPS

Stencils are made from a low-tack, premium vinyl paint mask. I suggest using **Acrylic Enamel** spray paint like **Rust-oleum** or **Krylon** for best results. Painting it professionally with a compressor and spray gun is fine also. If using **AUTOMOTIVE** paints or if you are unsure about the reaction to the stencils, cut a scrap piece from the stencil and do a test paint/peel first to see how the paint reacts.

**DO NOT** use **LACQUER** based paint as it can react with the stencil mask!!!

## ACRYLIC ENAMEL SPRAY IS BEST

**NO LACQUER BASED PAINT**

After stripping the cabinet, prep and sand the cabinet by filling all nicks and blemishes with Bondo and wood filler. Try to get the cabinet as baby smooth as possible. I suggest **PRIMING** the entire cabinet with a 4-6 coats of either *White, Gray or Black primer*, depending on the base cabinet color. I usually sand in-between each coat. I sometimes fill in any fine wood grain before I spray the final coats. Get the cabinet nice and smooth!



Once the cabinet is primed, sanded and dry, it's time to paint the base cabinet color. I find that using **KRYLON Gloss DOVER WHITE** is a great color when the base color is **WHITE**. It's not too bright white and not almond either. It has a fan spray also which makes it easier to spray larger areas. I'm sure you can find a similar color in other brands of paint.

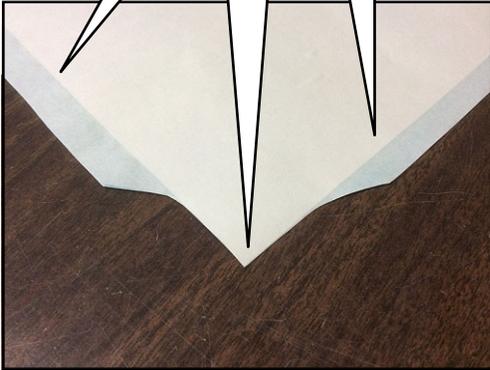


Once the base color is dry, it's time to paint the stencil colors. I suggest using **Acrylic Enamel** spray paint like **Rust-oleum** or **Krylon**. I find **Rust-oleum** spray in the **Original White Can** works best and gives you a superior stencil peel since it's more of an Oil-based enamel. Most **Krylon** and **2X** paints need to be peeled as soon as they are painted since this paint dries much quicker. They have a wide color range and you can match most of the colors used on these older machines. **DO NOT** always go by the current cabinet color, as it has yellowed and faded over the years. Use your best judgment. Match colors on the playfield or backglass to match the machine color scheme!



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**TRIM Stencils to Corners OR along Edge. Use these EDGES to Align the stencil to the BOTTOM & TOP CORNERS or EDGES of the Cabinet.**



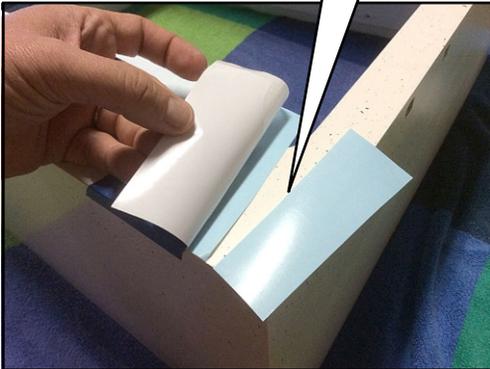
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**Align stencil to the EDGE of the cabinet & tape or weight down to keep the stencil from moving! Peel back top 2 Layers to expose backing.**



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**Once peeled back a few inches, use a Scissors to TRIM off of backing in order to stick down & make a HINGE.**



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**Using the 4" Squeegee, burnish down the Stencil to the Cabinet forming a HINGE! This will allow the Stencil to stay lined up as you finish doing the rest.**



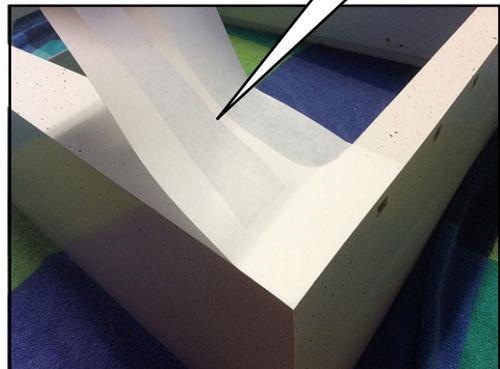
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**Now that you have a HINGE! Fold the stencil back in order to start peeling off the backing.**



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**Now Hold & Suspend the stencil above the cabinet with some tension with backing peeled off and finish burnishing down the entire stencil to the cabinet.**



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Now slowly & carefully peel off the top layer of transfer tape off the stencil. Make sure you don't tear any of the small detailed pieces while doing this.



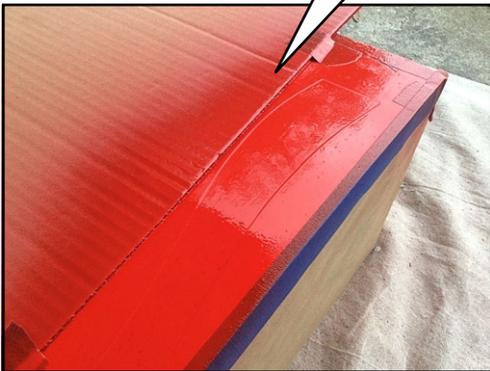
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Now Tape off ENTIRE cabinet so you DO NOT get any paint Overspray on any of the cabinet. Seal it GOOD!



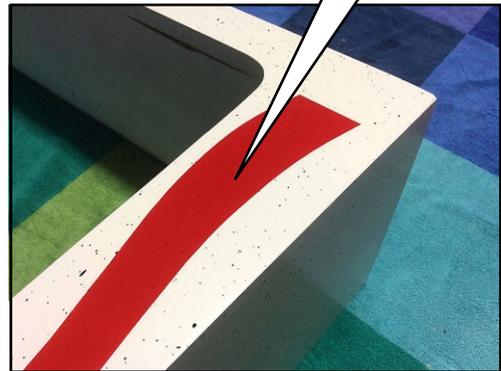
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Paint the stencil using the Color indicated on the labels. Make sure you Paint them in the CORRECT ORDER!



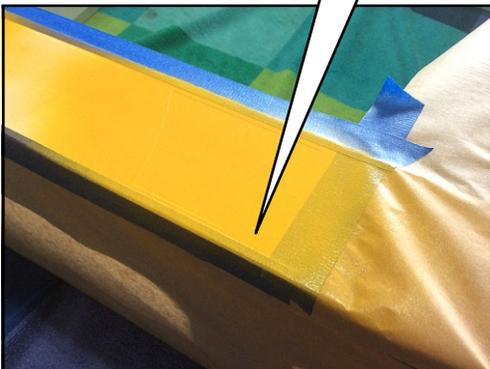
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Once paint has cured for a few minutes, carefully peel away the stencil material. Peel stencil in pieces if needed and be careful not to let it fall back into your fresh paint!!!



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Once the 1st paint color has fully cured and is dry, REPEAT THE ENTIRE PROCESS for the 2nd color.



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Peel 2nd color and you should have a Beautiful Cabinet! Good Luck!

