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## PREPARATION STEP

Begin by cleaning the parts of a Stormtrooper miniature with a hobby knife. Carefully remove any mold lines or other bits of leftover plastic from the casting process. Test fit the parts to make sure they fit together flush. If they do not, carefully trim the connecting surfaces. When happy with the fit, glue the pieces of the mini together and then glue the miniature to a 27mm round base. Try to center the miniature over the base as well as you can while doing so.





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## PRIMING STEP

Before you start painting, you should apply a primer coat to the miniature. This is usually applied via a spray can, though there are brush-able and airbrush-able options. A primer coat will help the paint adhere to the surface of the mini and increase the durability of the paint job. There are several spray primers to choose from available from hobby and home improvement stores. Look for a primer with a flat finish. Satin or gloss finishes are not recommended as they can interfere with the even application of paint. To save time, this mini is primed with a white primer purchased from a hobby store.





## 3 BASECOATING STEP

With a size 1 brush, apply even basecoats to the mini. Thin your paints slightly with water and apply multiple, thin coats for good coverage so as not to obscure the fine surface detail of the mini. Apply Stormtrooper Armor to the armor plates. Basecoat the dark sections between the armor plates, the gloves, holster, helmet details and gun with Sith Robes. Paint the shoulder pauldron with Speeder Bike Brown. Basecoat the base with your desired base color — in this case, Mimban Mud.

Stormtrooper  
Armor

Speeder  
Bike  
Brown

Sith Robes

Mimban  
Mud



# 4 SHADING AND WASH STEP

The shading and wash step adds depth to the miniature by defining the recesses with a darker color. Thin down Death Star Grey to a 50/50 mix of paint and water and carefully paint the mix into the recesses of the armor. Apply Strong Tone wash to the shoulder pauldron. Apply Shadow Wash to the undersuit, gloves, gun and holster of the mini.

Death Star  
Grey

Shadow  
Wash

Strong Tone  
Wash





# 5 LAYER STEP

Layer the areas basecoated in Step 3 with the colors used before the wash. Leave the wash in the recessed areas as much as possible. Try to angle your brush so it does not dip into the recesses and only hits the raised areas of the detail. You may need to adjust the angle of the miniature in relation to your hand to achieve this more easily.

Stormtrooper  
Armor

Speeder  
Bike  
Brown

Sith Robes





# 6 HIGHLIGHT STEP

Highlighting is accentuating the edges and highest raised points of the miniature with colors much lighter than the basecoat. This adds greater contrast and visual distinction to the details, even at a distance. We recommend using a size 00 brush for these highlights. The colors used for the highlights are listed below and covered in more detail on the next page.

Consular  
White

Imperial  
Cargo

Sith Robes

Sandtrooper  
Pauldron





# 7 HIGHLIGHT STEP CON'T.

Highlight the areas below with the colors noted.  
Numbers indicate a ratio mix of the first and second color.

- Stormtrooper Armor - Consular White
- Gun - 75/25 Sith Robes, Imperial Cargo
- Gloves - 75/25 Sith Robes, Imperial Cargo
- Helmet Visor - Sith Robes
- Shoulder Pauldron - Stormtrooper Pauldron



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## BASING AND DETAIL STEP

As a final step, apply Plastoid Gloss Varnish to the white armor plates of the mini for a shiny finish to the armor.

If desired, base your miniature with modeling sand and grass tufts as shown here. These are available at your local hobby store in a wide variety of options to capture the environment you most prefer. It is up to you to decide if you want to paint the modeling sand, which would offer up even more options for your paint job.



Plastoid  
Gloss  
Varnish

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