

Smooth-It Facts

Plaster is cheaper

Coverage of Multi-Finish is around 8-10 sq metres with. Smooth-It offers a minimum of 25 sq metre per bag

You only need to do 2 coats with plaster

With plaster you need additional labour to apply PVA. The overall application time for both systems is the same.

Plastering is much quicker

Smooth-It can be applied just as efficiently. Don't forget plasterer's would have to apply a bonding agent to the substrate first. Plasterers must start and finish a given area. Smooth-It applications are not constrained. One can stop and start wherever you like.

Plastering is cheaper

Smooth-It is more cost effective per metre.

25 kg Multi-Finish covers 8-10 sq metres cost £4.

25 kg Smooth-t covers 25-30 sq metres (coverage dependant on the depth) cost approx £13.99.

You can get a better finish with plaster

Smooth-It can be applied to receive a satisfactory emulsion finish. If it is your first attempt at smoothing out a ceiling then I would suggest starting in a small room where you will gain the confidence and skill to provide a great finish.

A plasterer can deal with perimeter angles

So can a smooth operator by either using the same tool or by the simple use of a firm sponge or brush.

I've used plaster in the past and that's been okay

Using plaster means you or your customer has to re-decorate the walls. Using Smooth-It means you don't have to. It will be dry and suitable for painting sooner than plaster. Plaster can be quite messy as when it is applied it tends to be a thinner consistency.

Is it easier to over-board.

It is much more expensive, and it affects existing cove detail and you still have to joint and apply a finish of some type.

Steam stripping the texture is just as good.

Steam strippers cause as many problems as they solve. They will remove texture, but also may remove the paper face of the plasterboard. It is messy, time consuming and making good results prior to redecoration.

You can't get it flat like plaster

Yes you can it is just like the finish dry liners get.

It's "artex" in another bag and I don't do artex.

I guarantee if you try it you will see it's not artex. The formulation is very different, but you will find it's a product you can use, and make a lot of money out of it.



Plaster takes 20 minutes to put up and the job is done

You are forgetting you have to PVA first and trowel up afterwards, so it still is the same time as Smooth-It applications.

Smooth-It goes off too quick

You would be better of making smaller mixes to start with. As a guide a 10 ltr bucket full can be caulked on in approx 20 minutes.

There is no way I can do two coats on a large ceiling in one day

No problem, unlike plaster you can leave Smooth It and go back the next day and apply the final coat. However with practice you will gain speed and finish the job in one day.

Do you need to put PVA before applying smooth-It?

No unlike Multi-Finish, Smooth-It is compatible with decorated surfaces, providing the normal rules of preparation apply – sound, clean and dry. PVA has the potential to cause crazing of the finish whether Multi-Finish or Smooth-It.

I don't have the skills to use Smooth-It

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