Vandyke crystals are dissolved into water to create a dye.

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Derived from walnut husks, Vandyke Crystals are traditionally used in the antique furniture trade to dye timber which will be french polished with shellac or covered with a lacquer or varnish. They give anything from a tan tone to a deep brown depending on concentration of solution.

Always test on an inconspicuous area or offcut of timber to check colour is satisfactory.

Start by mixing very small amounts (a small spatula or coffee stirrer are ideal for this) with heated, distilled water, 100ml at a time until you are happy with the colour and can scale it up if need be.

Heating in a microwave (800W), using a microwave proof dish for around 30 seconds per 100-200ml should be enough to warm the mixture and make sure the crystals are dissolved sufficiently, the heat aids penetration into the timber.

This is dependent on temperature, humidity and substrate but should be around 15 minutes.

This is entirely dependent on the type and absorbency of the substrate, application method and ratio of Vandyke crystals to water.

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Vandyke crystals are available in these sized containers:

- 500g
- 5Kg
- 25Kg

Store away from moisture.

Do not directly breathe in powder.
Gloves are recommended to protect skin from dye.
Refer to MSDS before use.

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