THE MARKET / A PRICE SNAPSHOT

What Painters Cost in Christchurch

Published painting prices from 14 Christchurch painting businesses and two directories, rates per m², extras, your rights on quotes and 834 Google reviews. Checked on 15 November 2026.

THREE-BEDROOM INTERIOR
$7,295 to $12,900

Walls about 230 m², ceilings about 100 m², average condition. Two painters' calculators and one painter's room table. [1] [2] [3]

SINGLE-STOREY WEATHERBOARD EXTERIOR
$9,750 to $18,900

About 150 m² of wall. $9,750 on two calculators; $12,300 to $18,900 on David Robertson's table. [1] [2] [3]

PAINTERS WITH ANY PRICE ONLINE
3 of 14

David Robertson (tables), Flawless Finishes and Mike David (calculators). None states GST. [12]

What the data shows

Most Christchurch painters quote only after a visit. The figures in Google's AI Overview come from a lead-generation directory, not a painter. [4] [9]

834 Google reviews on 14 painting profiles: 148 from the last 12 months, six with three stars or fewer, 146 that talk about price or the quote, and none with a dollar figure. [12]

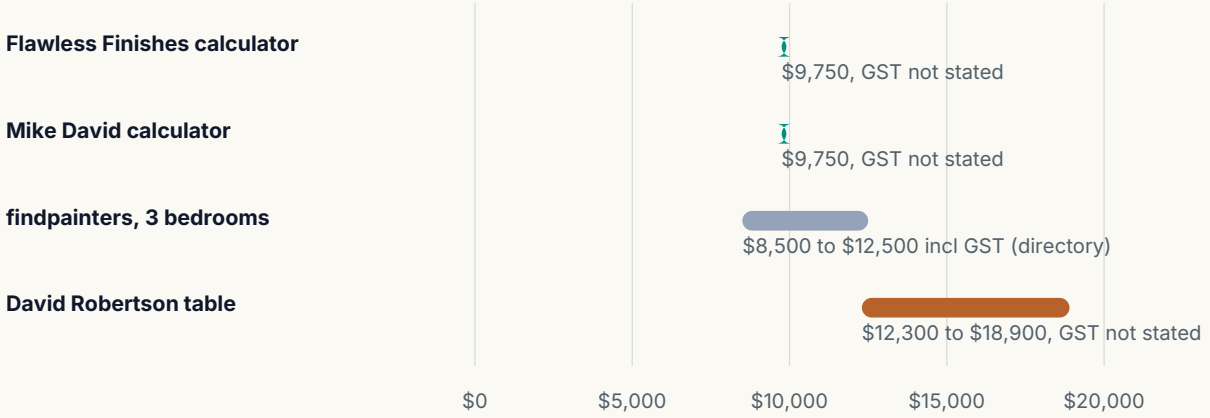
Method. We checked 15 painters' websites, read the rates inside two online calculators, two directory guides and every Google review on 14 profiles. Wall areas for the standard jobs are SEO4 assumptions. No painter was asked for a quote. [12]

01 / WHOLE-HOUSE PRICES

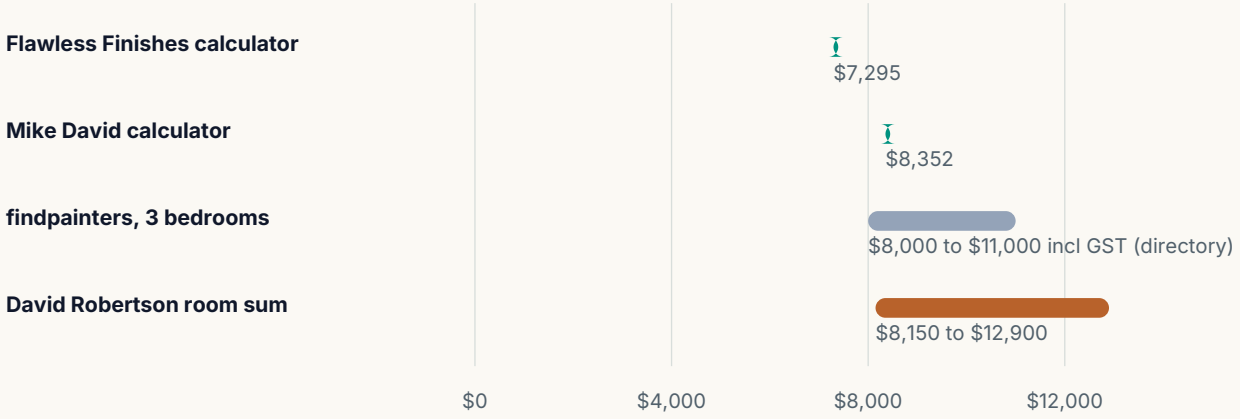
Interior and exterior

The same standard jobs, priced from each source.

Exterior: three-bedroom single-storey weatherboard, about 150 m²



Interior: 3 bedrooms, living, kitchen, bathroom



Sources: [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]. checkmybuilder gives about $9,000 (interior) and $14,000 (exterior) as Christchurch typical figures.

02 / RATES AND EXTRAS

Per m², per door, per window

Rates read from two Christchurch painters' online calculators. Neither states GST.

Surface	Flawless Finishes (new / avg / poor)	Mike David (new / avg / poor)	Src
Interior walls, per m²	$19 / $21.50 / $26	$22 / $26.40 / $30.80	[1] [2]
Ceilings, per m²	$21.50 / $23.50 / $27.50	$19 / $22.80 / $26.60	[1] [2]
Exterior weatherboard, per m²	$60 / $65 / $70	$60 / $65 / $70	[1] [2]
Block or plaster, per m²	$60	$60	[1] [2]
Deck, per m²	$21 / $25.20 / $28.35	$21 / $25.20 / $28.32	[1] [2]

Extra	Price	Source
Interior door, one side	$120 to $168 (Mike David); $135 (Flawless)	[1] [2]
Door and frame	$140 to $196; $168	[1] [2]
Window	$160 to $224 each	[2]
Skirting	$10 to $14 a metre	[2]
Wallpapering	$30 a metre of width; $22.50 to $36 per m²	[1] [2]
Scaffolding	$1,500 to $4,000+ (directory, incl GST)	[4]
Roof painting	$4,000 to $13,500+ (directory, incl GST)	[4]

03 / QUOTES AND YOUR RIGHTS

Quote, estimate, GST

What New Zealand consumer law and guidance say.

Point	What it means	Src
Quote	A fixed price. Once accepted, the work is done for that price unless you agree changes.	[6]
Estimate	A best guess. The final bill should generally be within 10% to 15%.	[6]
GST	If a quote does not mention GST, you can assume it includes GST.	[7]
Consumer Guarantees Act	Reasonable care and skill; reasonable time if none agreed; reasonable price if none set. Fix, or have it fixed elsewhere and claim the cost.	[8]
Master Painters	Members offer a 5-year workmanship guarantee backed by the association.	[10]

Quote request template

Hi, could you quote to paint [the interior / the exterior] of our [3]-bedroom [weatherboard / brick / plaster] house in [suburb]? It is [single / two] storey, in [good / average / poor] condition. Please list walls, ceilings, doors and frames, trim, repairs and scaffolding separately, the paint brand and coats, and say whether the total includes GST. Is it a fixed quote or an estimate?

04 / REVIEWS AND WHO TO CALL

834 reviews, no dollar figures

Every Google review on 14 painting profiles, 15 November 2026.

Three painters to call first

Rated 4.9+ with 30+ reviews, ranked by new reviews in the last 12 months.

Painter	Phone	Rating, reviews	New (answered)
1. 2G Interiors	021 438 248	4.9, 120	25 (25)
2. David Robertson Decorators	03 332 9242	4.9, 130	16 (16)
3. Flawless Finishes	021 0272 9644	4.9, 40	15 (14)

SEO4 Price Score

Eight checks, 0 to 2 points: prices, what a price includes, guarantee, quote turnaround, website, review count, new reviews, replies.

Painter	Score	Painter	Score
David Robertson Decorators	15/16	Curtin Painters and Decorators	7/16
2G Interiors	11/16	Mike David Painting	6/16
Picture Perfect Painting	11/16	Freshcoat	6/16
Flawless Finishes	11/16	Richard Victor Painting	5/16
P&D Painters	8/16	Brennan’s Painting	5/16
DJ Parkyn Painting	8/16	Dyer Decorating	5/16
Finesse Painting	8/16	Hoskin Painting Specialists	3/16

None of these businesses are SEO4 clients. A public snapshot from 15 November 2026, written in good faith; the score says nothing about painting quality. [12]

05 / DIY OR A PAINTER

What the paint alone costs

Materials for the standard three-bedroom interior, our estimate.

Item	Amount	Cost
Resene Zylone Sheen, walls (230 m², two coats, 15 m² a litre)	4 × 10 L at $245.93 (Mitre 10)	$983.72
Resene Ceiling Paint (100 m², two coats, 12 m² a litre, our assumption)	2 × 10 L at $155 (list, Feb 2024)	$310.00
Rollers, brushes, tape, filler (our estimate)	–	$200.00
Total		about $1,494

Painters' published figures for the same rooms: $7,295 to $12,900. Christchurch painter job ads offer $28 to $35 an hour; the rest of a painter's rate pays for paint, vehicle, insurance, ACC, holidays and quoting time. [1] [2] [3] [11]

Price your own job with the free calculator in the full article: **seo4.co.nz/blog/painters-christchurch-cost**. Painters who want a clearer price page can contact SEO4 at seo4.co.nz/pricing-contact.

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