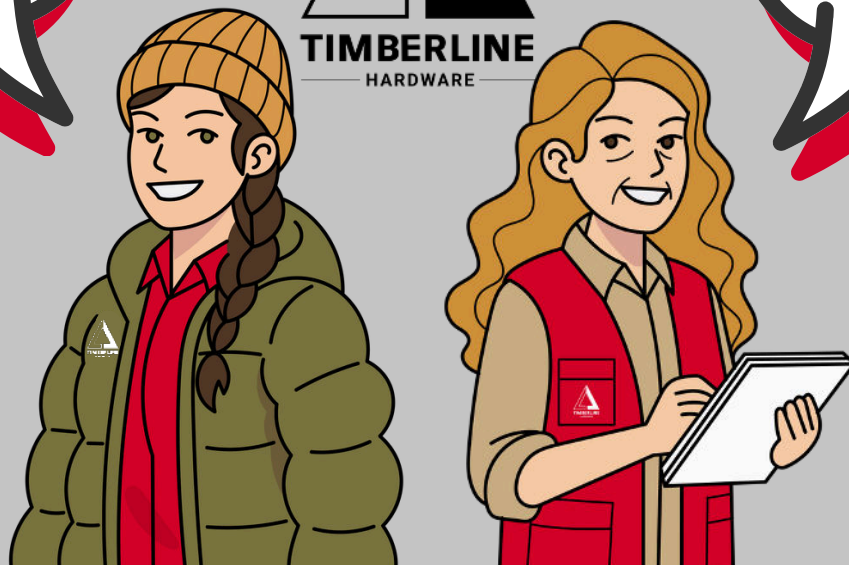


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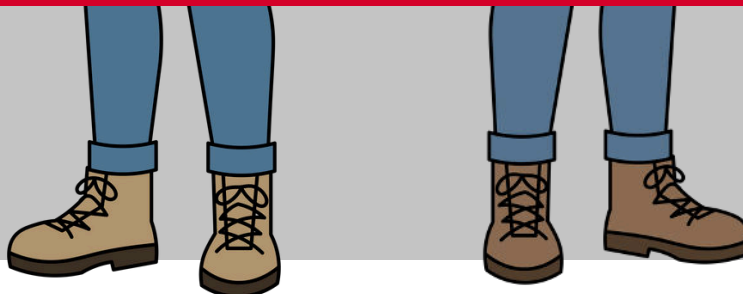
There's no such
thing as a dumb
question.
We promise!

Hey, everyone
starts somewhere.
That's why we're
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**Real questions. Real answers.
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We're Here to Help You Get It Done



At Timberline Ace, we know every project starts with a question. What tool do I need? How do I prep this wall? Should I even try this myself?

We've been there. Our team is made up of neighbors who live where you live and know what it takes to maintain a Colorado home through every season.

Whether you're tightening a leaky faucet, repainting the guest room, or gearing up for a full weekend of repairs, you're never figuring it out alone.

Let's dive in.



Your First DIY Toolkit

The Essentials You'll Actually Use

Starting your first project can feel overwhelming, especially when the tool aisle seems endless. **The good news?** You don't need every gadget to get the job done. Here's a simple starter set that covers almost anything:



Timberline Pro Tip:
Keep a backup drill battery charged and ready. It's a small investment that keeps your project moving when momentum matters most.

Hammer

From nails to light demo, a classic claw hammer is a must-have.

Screwdriver Set

Get both flathead and Phillips in a few sizes—you'll use them daily.

Tape Measure

Accuracy matters. Measure twice, cut once!

Level

Keeps your shelves, frames, and trim looking sharp.

Adjustable Wrench

Great for bolts, plumbing, and quick fixes.

Utility Knife

For trimming, scraping, or opening packaging.

Cordless Drill

The real multitasker. Perfect for fastening, hanging, and assembling.

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Paint Like a Pro

How to Choose the Right Paint and Primer

Picking paint sounds simple until you're staring at five finishes that look identical on the can. **The secret?** The right finish depends on how the space is used and how much traffic it gets. Here's a quick guide to make your choice easy:



Timberline Pro Tip:
Anytime you switch paint types or cover stains, don't skip primer. It keeps your color true and your finish flawless.

Matte	Smooth & non-reflective	Ceilings, low-traffic rooms
Eggshell	A touch of sheen, easy to clean	Living rooms, hallways
Satin	Slightly glossier and durable	Kitchens, bathrooms, kids' rooms
Semi-Gloss	Bright & tough	Trim, cabinets, doors
Gloss	High shine, ultra-durable	Accents & furniture projects

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Where help feels like home.

Benjamin Moore paint in stock at all Timberline Ace locations! Need help with color matching? Bring us a sample! We'll match it perfectly.



Need help building your starter kit? Stop by Timberline Ace! Our team will help you choose durable, reliable tools that grow with your skills.



DIY projects come with questions, and that's exactly what we're here for. From picking the right tools to learning new skills, the Timberline team is ready to help you get it done right, the first time.

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