

Berger Paints Trinidad Limited

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The genealogy of Berger Paints Trinidad Limited is as colorful as the very paints and coatings that its many customers have been using for years to brighten their homes and buildings - adding even more lush shades to the already vibrant and multi-hued islands of the Caribbean.

The company takes its name from one Lewis Amelius Christanus Adolphus Steigenberger, a German chemist who moved from Frankfurt to London in the mid-

18th century, and, with his brother John, began setting up shop as a "color maker." Of particular importance to Berger's customers (Lewis had by that time shortened his name) as well as his own family's income, was Prussian blue, a deep, dark blue pigment that was originally developed in Germany in the early 1700s. Berger had perfected his own formula for the compound and became famous for it throughout England and beyond. Indeed, an order in 1772 from Dublin was addressed to Lewis Berger, "Blue Maker."