

## Instructions on using etching cream

Etching cream enables you to etch objects made of glass, mirror, porcelain, ceramic, marble, and slate. Remember, etching cream will permanently etch all glazed surfaces almost immediately, so avoid letting cream touch any area you do not want to etch, including porcelain sinks. Stainless steel sinks are preferred. Wear protective gloves and safety glasses.

1. Clean glass or mirror surface. Dry with lint-free paper towel or cloth.
2. The temperature of the cream, the item to be etched and the room in which used should never be below 60F. In cold weather etching cream may crystallize. Should this occur, place container in warm water until crystals disappear.
3. Stir thoroughly until mixture is uniform.
4. Apply your own original stencil to the surface, or use a pre-cut stencil. Follow directions on the stencil package to apply stencil to surface. Rub down the stencil edges and to remove any air bubbles. Be sure that all areas of glass not to be etched are covered. Clear contact paper works well for this.
5. Apply a heavy coat of etching cream to area of stencil where glass is not exposed. Pouring the cream directly onto the glass could cause irregular etching.
6. Use a brush, sponge or squeegee to pull cream over entire area to be etched all at once.
7. Leave the cream on the design for 15 minutes.
8. After time has elapsed, rinse etched surface well with water to remove any remaining cream.
9. Remove stencil, wash and dry glass, and your design is permanently etched!