

GLASS ETCHING GUIDELINES

Items you will need:

- 1 Mirror, plate, bowl, glass, mug, etc. (anything with a clear smooth surface).
(A mirror or piece of glass can not be larger than 14x22 poster size.)
- 2 Glass etching cream (armour etch) can be purchased at most craft stores
- 3 White contact paper
- 4 Fresh sheet(s) of carbon paper
- 5 Sharp x-acto knife (extra blades are a good idea)
- 6 Any picture that is not offensive in any way (NO PHOTOGRAPHS)
- 7 Roll of paper towel
- 8 Glass cleaner
- 9 paint brush (no larger than a size 12 and never used)
- 10 tape (scotch or masking)
- 11 Sharp #2 pencil

Process:

- 1 Clean the item with glass cleaner and paper towel
- 2 Cover item that will be etched with the white contact paper
- 3 Place carbon paper where picture will be placed tape it down
- 4 Tape picture down on top of carbon paper
- 5 Trace picture with pencil
- 6 Remove picture and carbon paper off of contact paper very carefully
- 7 Very carefully cut along the lines of the picture, **BUT ONLY WHERE THE PICTURE WILL BE ETCHED**
- 8 Pull off all cut pieces very carefully
- 9 Apply etching cream with paint brush very evenly be sure to cover all cut out pieces. Allow cream to stand for 10-20 minutes depending on size of project.
- 10 After the cream has set for the appropriate amount of time, remove as much as you can with the paint brush and put it back into the bottle (this will save on how much you go through because th armour etch is expensive).
- 11 Run water in the kitchen sink or bath tub just long enough to get warm. Place picture under the running water wiping the rest of the cream off.
- 12 Project will look like nothing has been put on it, but once it dries it will show the etched places.
- 13 Pull off any remaining contact paper and clean again with glass cleaner and paper towel.

Remember that once the cream is on, it is permanent and there is no way to take it off.

If your project is a mirror or glass, it must be framed unless it already has decorative edges, then it will only need to be ready to hang. **(continued on back)**

classes available:

Beginner: ages 11 & under

Junior: ages 12 & 13

Senior: ages 14 & older

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