



Aftercare

PROCEDURE

- leave your bandage on for 1-2 hours, then remove the bandage
- wash your hands with an antibacterial soap, then lather a small amount in your palms and gently wash your tattoo with the lathered soap
- do not scrub - rinse thoroughly, then pat dry with a towel
- avoid soaking tattoo in water if possible
- apply a light coat an aftercare product, never put on in excess, thicker is not better

FOR SMALLER TATTOOS_

- a fragrance free, unscented lotion (Lubriderm or Curel) repeat 4-5 times a day for the next 2 - 3 weeks OR apply any of the products made specifically for tattoo healing

FOR LARGER HEAVIER INK COVERAGE TATTOOS_

- Tattoo Goo Salve Tins* (a 99% all natural ingredient ointment, will not clog pores and speeds up the healing process) Tattoo Goo also makes a lotion and gell version of their aftercare.
- H2 Ocean Tattoo Lotion* (enriched natural ingredients made for dry to normal skin containing moisturizers and anti-irritants)
* see specific instructions per aftercare product

DO NOT USE petroleum, lanolin or wax based products - these products are developed to prevent cuts, burns, scrapes and abrasions from getting infected and are not for the healing of new tattoos. They cause clogged pores, attract debris and airborne bacteria, cling to your clothes and can cause allergic reactions and slow down your healing time

- avoid itching - keeping the tattoo lubricated will help that situation
- during the healing process scabs may form on the tattoo (DO NOT PICK OR SCRATCH YOUR TATTOO DURING THIS TIME) this could result in negative results, pulling color out of the tattoo
- do not use anything greasy on your new tattoo - let it breathe
- avoid swimming pools, spas, (chlorinated water), tanning and direct sunlight until the tattoo is healed
- avoid dirt or other irritants
- use a high number sunscreen at all times when exposing your tattoo to the sun
- ON A HEALED TATTOO ONLY- the sun is very damaging to your tattoo artwork, sunscreen will help preserve the color and the life of your tattoo

This sheet provides you with aftercare based on our shops personal experience with products and care. Please follow instructions in order to achieve the best results. Call with any questions or concerns regarding your tattoo.

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