

## PATINA + HIGH POLISH MAINTENANCE GUIDE

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### SCULPTURE HANDLING:

Use blankets to protect the floor or table before cleaning. Take care not to use materials that will mark the sculpture. Gloves are mandatory for handling.

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### MATERIALS:

- Biodegradable Dish soap diluted in deionized water. Using tap water can leave mineral deposits on the sculpture.
- Johnson's Paste wax – Best for cool temperatures. To be used at 50F-10C to 70F-21C
- Crystal Clear Paste Wax - Best for warm temperatures. To be used at 70F-21C to 100F-37C
- Natural bristle brush
- Microfiber cloth (enough to dry the sculpture)

### PROCESS:

The sculpture has a patina or high polish finish plus a layer of paste wax when complete. The paste wax works as a protective layer and partially seals the sculpture. The paste wax only work temporarily to protect against finger prints and dust. To maintain the best possible appearance and long term health, the Sculpture should be cleaned and re-waxed every 3 to 6 months.

### CONDITIONS

Maintenance should be performed on a warm, dry day, roughly 70F-21C.

### STEPS TO CLEANING:

1. Wash the sculpture using the biodegradable dish soap diluted in warm deionized water, lightly brushing areas with a soft natural bristled brush. Do not use tap water that could leave mineral deposits on the sculpture.
2. Rinse well, removing any remaining dish soap.
3. After rinsing, dry the sculpture completely using the soft micro fiber cloths. Allow some time for air drying to ensure the sculpture doesn't conceal any moisture.
4. The sculpture is now ready to wax

### STEPS TO WAXING: \*Prior experience is highly recommended\*

1. Apply a very thin coat of Johnson's or Crystal Clear Paste Wax (depending on the temperature) to the warmed sculpture using a soft natural bristle brush ONLY. Do not use a nylon bristle brush. If the wax is applied too thick it will leave a white cloudy residue.
2. Brush the wax onto the surface thoroughly. Focus on the recessed areas if needed.
3. Continue to apply the wax until the entire surface is coated.
4. Buff the surface with a soft dry cloth. Use a soft natural bristle brush to remove excess wax in recessed detail areas if needed.