

ROUGE · INK

AFTERCARE FOR TATTOOS

Every client's skin responds uniquely to tattoos. This information should act as a guideline only. Please read all these instructions thoroughly.
Please be patient and trust the process!

IMMEDIATE AFTERCARE

- Day 1-2 : Leave the layer of Second Skin on during this period. If possible, avoid showering (or keep it very short).
- Day 3: Always wash your hands before performing aftercare instructions. Peel off the layer of second skin. You can gently cleanse the area with a fragrance free, gentle and generic soap. Pat dry with a clean paper towel. Apply a thin layer of Aquaphor or your preferred balm. Some clients prefer coconut oil, cacao or shea butter. If there is something that has previously worked well with your skin type, go for it! You can repeat these steps 2x a day. If your tattoo feels very tight and dry, you can repeat one more time. The key is to keep the tattoo hydrated to avoid premature scabbing, but not to a point your skin is too slippery or can't breathe. We want the tattoo to go as long as it can without scabbing, but scabbing is normal!

AVOID LENGTHY PERIODS OF EXPOSURE TO WATER
OR SUN FOR THE FIRST 14 DAYS.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Immediately following the procedure, you may experience minimal discomfort and tenderness in the treated area. Many clients describe a similar sensation to a sunburn, with mild redness and swelling. Symptoms will subside within 24-48 hours.
- It is normal for your tattoo to look a lot darker for the first few days, then lighter as your skin regenerates cells. At the 2 week mark, the color will neutralize.
- Minimal scabbing, flaking and dryness of the skin is normal after the first several days of the healing period. To avoid loss of pigmentation, do NOT itch or remove scabs prematurely. They will naturally fall off on their own. Continue to moisturize gently during the scabbing period.
- Results vary from client to client.

LONG TERM CARE

- For the longevity of your tattoo, always apply sunscreen when exposed to UV rays and avoid lasers or exfoliants in the tattooed area.
- If you require a touch-up, please email us at info@rouge.ink.

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