



STILL WATER TATTOO

AFTERCARE INSTRUCTIONS

Take off the bandage approximately 12 hours after your artist wrapped it. Wash the fresh tattoo with warm, soapy (unscented) water. Carefully wash off any and all blood & plasma and pat it dry with a *clean* paper towel.

After you've removed the artists' wrapping & cleaned your tattoo, leave the tattoo un-bandaged. In other words, do not recover with anything other than clean clothing.

Make sure your clothing and bedding are clean, especially if you have pets.

Once the tattoo has been cleaned, apply a **very thin layer of *Better Butter Care*** to the tattoo area. Re-apply the *Better Butter Care* morning, noon and night until the tattoo has completely flaked off and healed.

Shower as usual, just avoid water spraying directly onto the fresh tattoo whenever possible. For tattoos behind the ear, on the neck or on the ankle/foot area, be mindful to rinse the area thoroughly at the end of your shower as product residue can irritate a healing tattoo.

Most black and grey tattoos should flake off naturally on its own by the 4th to 5th day, some solid colour work can take a little longer to heal.

THE 2 BIG NO-NOS':

1. **Do NOT** submerge the tattoo in water for longer than a shower. This means no swimming or baths for 2 weeks following the tattoo session. Submerging your tattoo in water can cause the scabs to soften and fall off prematurely, potentially lifting colour from the healing skin.
2. **DO NOT** expose your tattoo to direct sunlight for 2 weeks following your tattoo session. Newly tattooed skin is sensitive and will sunburn faster than normal skin; UV rays can cause a new tattoo to fade.

Should touch-ups be required, they can be arranged at the artists' discretion within 3-6 months of the original tattoo date, depending on appointment availability. Note that this does not apply to tattoos on the feet, palms, hands, neck, fingers or face; touch-ups to these areas are at the clients' expense given that skin in these spots sometimes does not hold ink as well.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, doubts or concerns about the aftercare instructions or healing process. Thanks again and we look forward to seeing you again soon!

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