

K78043 – K78050 Marseille Soap

Marseille soap was first produced in Marseille during the 17th century. Until today its recipe has not changed. Tree oils, mainly olive oil, are used to boil this pure vegetable soap. It contains 70 % olive oil and 30 % coconut oil and is without artificial surfactants, preservatives or the like (biodegradable according to OECD 301D). The soap is very rich and economical. Marseille soap (also called Venetian soap) is a neutral soap and is also used as an additive to bole for stucco lustro and polishing white.

Wide range of applications:

For cleaning brushes when using aqueous binders or oil paints. The Marseille soap has a slightly refatting effect and cares for natural hair and bristles. Dissolve 4-5 tablespoons of Marseille soap in 1 liter of hot water and thoroughly wash oil-contaminated brushes and rollers with the soap solution. Dried, oil-soiled tools can usually be cleaned by boiling them briefly in the soap solution.

For hand cleaning, dissolve 10 tablespoons of Marseille soap in 1 liter of hot water and let it cool down. A jelly-like mass is formed. Wash oil-smear hands with the soap gel as with commercial liquid soap. For stubborn stains, it is recommended to add some marble grit as scrubbing additive.

For cleaning all types of smooth floors, especially linoleum, waxed cork, wood and tile flooring. Dissolve 1-2 tablespoons of Marseille soap in approx. 8 liters of warm water and clean the floor as usual with a scrubbing brush and mop.

For soaping floors: In some areas of Germany it is common to treat softwood floors and tables by simply "soaping" them. The wood surfaces are thereby protected against soiling, the light-colored wood character is preserved as far as possible (woods containing tanning agents, e.g. oak can react with dark discoloration). Dissolve approx. 20 g Marseilles soap in 1 liter of boiling water. Apply this hot soap solution immediately to the untreated wood floor with a suitable brush, or work it in with a scrubbing brush and leave to dry. Repeat the process if necessary until the desired result is achieved. Repeat the soap application from time to time depending on wear and tear to ensure sufficient protection for the wood. It is advisable to prepare test areas to assess the result before working on large areas.

#K78043 Olive Oil Soap, in a block

#SC2382 Marseille soap in cubes

#K78046 Marseille soap in bucket

#K78050 Marseille soap in needles