

FINISHES AND CARE

Below is a sampling of our more popular finishes. Most items can be produced in custom patinas or alternate plated finishes.

Hardware is made of either solid brass or solid bronze and finished by hand.

Most finishes are supplied without lacquer unless otherwise requested. Finishes without lacquer are considered a living finish. The finishes will change overtime. Surfaces of the hardware that are handled more will wear more quickly than untouched surfaces.

This is considered desirable. We believe it is important to give proper consideration to the characteristics of a living finish.



Unlacquered Polished Brass

A highly polished finish of solid brass. Unlacquered Brass is a living finish, intended to oxidize and patina naturally over time.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. To remove effect of natural aging, clean with a metal polish. Use soft cloth.



Hand Burnished Brass

A highly polished brass metal is hand burnished to produce a softer version, yet still having reflective quality. The finish is treated with a light wax. The metal has a tendency to oxidize faster.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. To remove effect of natural aging, clean with a metal polish. Use soft cloth.



Patina Antique Brass

A hand applied antiquing patina solution is used to darken the brass metal. The finish is then treated with a light wax. Variations in tone and depth are normal and to be expected.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Also, soft cloth with water can be used.



Medium Antique Brass

A hand applied antiquing patina solution is used to darken the brass metal. The finish is darker than the patina antique finish. The finish is treated with a light wax. Variations in tone and depth are normal.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Also, soft cloth with water can be used.



Oil Rubbed Bronze

A hand applied antiquing patina solution is used to darken the brass metal. The finish is darkest of the non plated finishes. The finish is then treated with a light wax. Variations in tone and depth are normal and to be expected.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Use soft cloth with water.



Polished Nickel

Bright nickel is plated finish over the solid brass. It has warm undertones and is a highly reflective. Perfect for interior application. The metal may gradually oxidize especially when used on the exterior.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Also, soft cloth with water can be used to clean the hardware, as well as use of a metal polish.



Polished Chrome

Bright Chromium is plated finish over a nickel plate over the solid brass. It has cool undertones and is a highly reflective. It is also a very durable finish, suitable for most environments.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Also, soft cloth with water can be used to clean the hardware, as well as use of a metal polish.



Hand Burnished Nickel

Nickel is plated finish over the solid brass, then the metal is hand burnished to produce a softer version, yet still having reflective quality. The metal is more exposed and has a tendency to oxidize faster than a polished finish.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Use soft cloth with water to clean the hardware, as well as a metal polish.

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Satin Nickel

The brass metal is satined and then plated with nickel. There is a definite graining in the finish and hence is less reflective. The metal may gradually oxidize especially when used on the exterior.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Also, soft cloth with water can be used to clean the hardware, as well as use of a metal polish.



Satin Chrome

Satin Chromium is plated finish over a nickel plate over the solid brass. It has cool undertones, graining in the finish, and is less reflective. It is also a very durable finish, suitable for most environments.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Use soft cloth with water can be used to clean the hardware, as well as use of a metal polish.



Polished Silver

Sterling Silver plate is plated finish over the solid brass material. This is a living finish and will oxidize.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Also, soft cloth with water can be used to clean the hardware, as well as use of a metal polish recommended specifically for silver plate.



Butler's Silver

Sterling Silver plate is plated finish over the solid brass material. The finish is then lightly oxidized and carefully hand burnished to produce a vintage silver appearance. This is a living finish and will oxidize.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Use soft cloth with water, as well as a metal polish recommended specifically for silver plate. The metal polish will remove the oxidation.



Light Pewter

The brass metal is burnished and satined then plated with nickel. As you handle the finish you can expect areas touched to become lighter and those not touched to become darker. Variations in tone/depth are normal and to be expected.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Use soft cloth with water, as well as a metal polish. The metal polish will remove the oxidation.



Antique Gold

14 carat pure gold is plated over the solid brass and then patina to a warmer redder undertone.

Care: Maintaining the finish requires a light application of clear paste wax. Also, soft cloth with water can be used to clean the hardware, as well as use of a metal polish recommended specifically for gold plate.